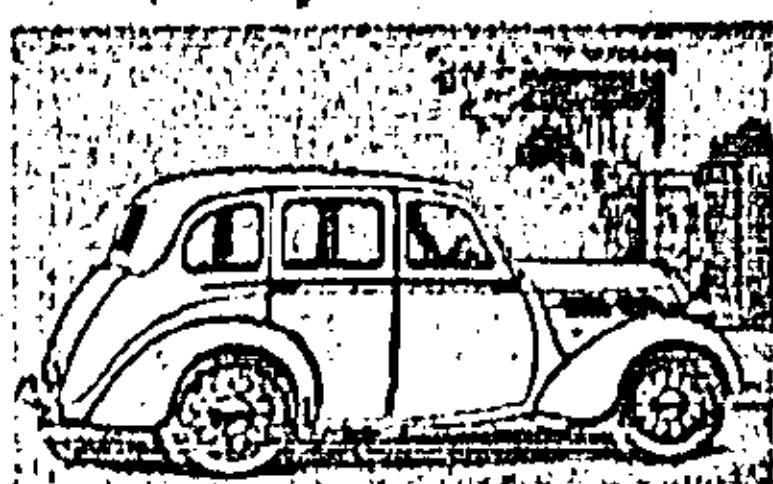


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STALIN'S MAJOR EFFORT TO CRUSH DEFENDERS

Parachute Division Goes Into Action But Meets With Unexpected Disaster

By WEBB MILLER

UNITED PRESS WAR CORRESPONDENT

WITH THE FINNISH FORCES ON THE KARELIAN Isthmus, FEB. 2 (UP).—RUSSIA'S DREADED PARACHUTE BATTALION OF DEATH WENT INTO ACTION TO-DAY AS THE RED ARMY, IN THE GREATEST OFFENSIVE THE WORLD HAS KNOWN SINCE 1918.

Big Army transport planes, each carrying from twenty to fifty completely armed parachutists, roared behind the Finnish lines, protected from attack by diminutive pursuit planes.

AWE-INSPIRING SIGHT

As they reached their objectives, the parachutists jumped from their planes, providing an awe-inspiring sight as they fell en masse to earth.

But this type of operation, which Britain fears Germany may one day employ over England, seems doomed to failure.

The Russian parachutists were truly a "battalion of death" in to-day's operations:

Finnish machine-guns calmly picked off each parachutist as he swayed helplessly in the air.

SHOT DEAD IN AIR

Most hung limply from their chutes when they reached ground—shot dead in the air by the machine-guns.

Others, their parachutes riddled, were smashed to death.

Only a few had time to rid themselves of their parachutes after they landed and assemble their machine-guns before the Finns pounced on them.

All those who escaped annihilation in the air quickly lost heart after they landed and surrendered.

BATTLE OF MANNERHEIM

The great offensive against the centre of the Mannerheim Line, which opened on Sunday, continued throughout to-day.

Frontal attacks by infantry and tanks were supported by an unprecedented concentration of bombing planes and mass artillery.

Tens of thousands of shells continue to batter the Finnish positions without, seemingly, any effect.

To-night, the Finns claim that they are "holding out everywhere."

Some initial successes with the "trojan horses", as the new Russian armoured sledges are called, led the Red High Command to intensify this form of operation throughout to-day.

The sledges, which are pushed before tanks and which contain crews of machine-guns, enable the Red troops to reach positions near the Finnish lines in comparative safety before the Finns can counter-attack with hand grenades and bottles of flaming petrol.

Under-Secretary of State for War

Fighting continues in bitter sub-zero weather under a brilliant Arctic sun.

Soviet bombers speeding through the bright blue sky leave mile-long trails of white exhaust which give the heavens an extraordinary checkered-board effect.

The temperature at high altitudes—probably 50 degrees below zero—solidifies the gaseous exhausts, which remain visible for hours.

The bombers are terrorising villages many miles behind the actual fighting zone.

I motored for 150 miles to-day behind the lines, and was delayed

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No Soviet Threat To British India

LONDON, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—Reports have appeared from time to time in the British and Continental Press of alleged Soviet threats to British India.

"Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent is able to state on high authority that at present there are no indications whatever of any threatening concentrations of Soviet troops in the neighbourhood of Afghanistan.

Any threat to India from the north would almost inevitably have to be directed through Afghanistan.

Competent military quarters point out that, in any event, an invasion of Afghanistan or Iran from the north—the first step against British interests in Asia—would to-day present even greater difficulties than in the historic past.

A modern mechanised army would find almost insuperable obstacles in Iran or Afghanistan, particularly in the latter country, where the absence of railways, poorness of the roads, high mountains and the fierce independent Afghan fighters determined to defend the Moslem faith against what they regard as the "materialism" of the west, would combine to ensure that any invader from the north would face an extremely difficult and probably a lengthy campaign.

COMMUNICATING WITH GERMANY

BOMBAY, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—Seven men appeared before the Magistrate to-day on charges under the Defence of India Act.

They were released on bail of 100 rupees each.

The police stated that they had received information that certain people were carrying on communications with people in Germany and other parts of Europe.

On November 2, 1939, one witness received 30 letters addressed to be handed to a training ground officer. Seven of these letters came from Germany.

NAZIS TO BE FREED?

LONDON, Feb. 2 (UP).—It is believed possible that the Asama Maru incident may be settled by a "token payment" by which several of the seized Germans will be freed.

BRITISH MACHINES

Bring Down Red Bombers In Finland

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—British fighter planes are now among those operating with the Finnish air force and a number of Soviet bombers recently destroyed were brought down by British fighters piloted by Finnish airmen.

Some of the fighters now in Finland were originally destined for South Africa but were released for service with the Finnish air force by General Jan Smuts, the South African Premier.

The recent raids on Kronstadt and elsewhere were not, it is understood, carried out by machines released by South Africa, which were fighters and not bombers.

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Radio Sets For Canadians

LONDON, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—The Canadian troops who are at present in England have been presented with 500 radio sets.

THESE GERMANS ARE OUT OF THE WAR FOR KEEPS



GERMAN PRISONERS OF WAR, photographed in an internment camp "Somewhere in France." ABOVE, prisoners sitting down to a substantial meal, probably more substantial than any they would receive in war-time Germany. LEFT.

—Mail day, and a prisoner happily receives a letter from home. *Newspaper Photo*, by Clipper, by courtesy Fox Movietone News.



Germans Must Make Unprecedented Sacrifices To Finance The War

NAZIS BLEEDING NATION TO DEATH

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Feb. 2 (UP).—General Goering, who has been placed in charge of Germany's financial and economic dictatorship, has completed plans for a gigantic 21-point programme involving unprecedented sacrifices on the part of the German people.

Under this programme, Goering expects to raise an additional 12,000,000,000 Reichsmarks.

Among the salient points are:

1.—Creation of a "War Finance Fund." This will be raised by the transfer of portion of the annual gross turnover of business under-taking to the Reich;

2.—"Wage Certificates." Under this scheme all employees must compulsorily deposit 20 per cent of their wages in a special Government Savings Fund and they will receive, in return, wage certificates redeemable after the war. The money will be used by the Reich for the prosecution of the war.

3.—A public thrift campaign, under which further restrictions will be placed on unnecessary purchases.

4.—Luxury taxation.

PEACE IN BALKANS

Now Thought Secured By Italian Offices

GENEVA, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—Thanks to the moderation of Hungary and Bulgaria in connection with the Territorial Revisionist claims, it is considered here that the diplomatic position between the Balkans and Turkey has greatly improved since September.

Credit for this improvement is widely attributed to Italy, whose

interest in the Balkans has greatly increased since her acquisition of Albania.

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Bulgaria's claims to South Dobrudja are believed to be adjourned until the end of the war.

Bulgaria's relations with Yugoslavia, Turkey and Greece are friendly.

And Bulgaria hopes that the claims to Dobrudja, as well as an outlet

aboard their vessels.

The Japanese Consul General also informed the N.Y.K. Line that

captains of their vessels should refuse to deliver German passengers, but that

in case they were compelled to do so by warships under force, it could not be helped.

Instructions To N.Y.K.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Feb. 3 (Domei).—It is revealed that the Japanese Consul General in San Francisco instructed the N.Y.K. Line, prior to the sailing of the Asama Maru, that no persons except those actually enlisted in the military service of a belligerent could be arrested at sea whilst a passenger

aboard their vessels.

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CORPORAL PUNISHMENT IN HONGKONG PRISONS

Amendments to certain Prison rules relating to the punishment of Juveniles and corporal punishment were announced in the "Gazette" this morning.

Paragraph (a) of Rule 317 has

been rescinded, as were paragraph (4) of Rule 318 and 320, while Rule 319 has been substituted by the following:

1.—Repeated serious offences against prison discipline;

2.—Personal violence to any person;

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Dummy Government Is In Disfavour

STALIN MAY PURGE HIS FINN PUPPETS

COPENHAGEN. STALIN may soon carry out a purge of his Finnish puppets, the dummy Government established behind the Red Army lines at Terijoki.

This is the amazing report reaching here from a source which cannot be disregarded. Things are not going too smoothly in "Premier" Kuusinen's "capital." A spy gang has already been discovered there.

And apart from this the Kuusinen Cabinet has aroused the fury of Moscow by its misjudgment.

Revolt Promised

It promised a revolution in Helsingfors within a week of the Red Army's crossing the frontier. There is even a possibility that Premier Molotov may be involved in its disgrace for swallowing this optimistic promise.

The only front on which the Soviet troops were advancing at all was the extreme north, where Petsamo's defenders are retiring behind a screen of "dare to die" patrols.

On the "waist of Finland's" front, the direction of the Red troops' movement has changed.

It is now north to south instead of east to west, for the Finnish reinforcements rallied up to Uleaborg have begun to move into action.

That is the news of the northern Russian army here. The southern column of the two, driving to the sea, has suffered what is undoubtedly a really severe defeat.

Enemy Cut Off

Says a communiqué: "At Suomussalmi our troops, after four days of stubborn fighting, have succeeded in cutting the road leading to the frontier."

"They have once more recaptured the village of Suomussalmi and have encircled part of the enemy to the west."

Similar success were scored on the front north of Lake Ladoga.

In the Tolvajoki sector, in particular, the Russians are claimed to be retreating in disorder, and 15 tanks have been captured.

They are straightforwardly being turned by the Finns against the original owners.

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"The assistance he is likely to give," said the judge, "does not outweigh the obvious reluctance one has to bring this young officer back. He has already gone through enough."

He paused then added, "No, I do not think I will ask him."

At the end of that day's hearing, Sir Donald Somervell, the Attorney

The Novelist (And His Seven Children) Cross The Frontier

A SQUAT little Finn with a bald head, seven children trailing at his heels, arrived at the village of Haparanda, on the Finnish-Swedish frontier.

"Well," he replied, "it is a little awkward at the moment.

"But soon I shall have some money, for I am on my way to Stockholm to receive the Nobel Prize."

The bald-headed man (says Exchange) was the Finnish author, F. E. Sillanpaa, who, a month ago was awarded the Nobel Prize for literature.

He walked into the refuge of a relief organisation and was given something to eat and drink.

Afterwards he was discreetly asked whether he was able to pay.

The prize amounts to between £6,000 and £10,000.

THE TITIS JUDGE WILL NOT RECALL OFFICER

LIEUT. WOODS, one of the four survivors of the submarine Thetis, which sank on June 1 while on trials, is now on service at sea.

Mr. Justice Bucknill was told this at the resumed inquiry in London and refused to recall him for evidence.

He concerned a suggestion that the lever of No. 5 torpedo tube might have been accidentally moved by someone in the torpedo compartment and so allowed water to enter the bow cap.

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At the end of that day's hearing, Sir Donald Somervell, the Attorney

General said he was not calling further evidence.

Adjourning the inquiry, Mr. Justice Bucknill said, "To my mind, the most difficult point is the opening of the bow cap."

"The failure to escape from the after-escape hatch is another point."

"These really are the two points, at the moment, which I am most puzzled by."

CANADIAN CLUB IN LONDON

Canadian troops will soon have in London a fine centre for recreation and rest, to be known as the Beaver Club.

The old headquarters of the London County Council in Spring Gardens, are now being converted to this admirable purpose, and it is hoped that the building will be ready for its new use as a club about the middle of next month.

The Beaver Club, will undoubtedly be a worthy successor of the famous Beaver Hut in the Strand, which, during the Great War, was well-known among Canadian soldiers passing through London.

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R2009—Love will find a way. My hero. Destiny. Alice blue gown.

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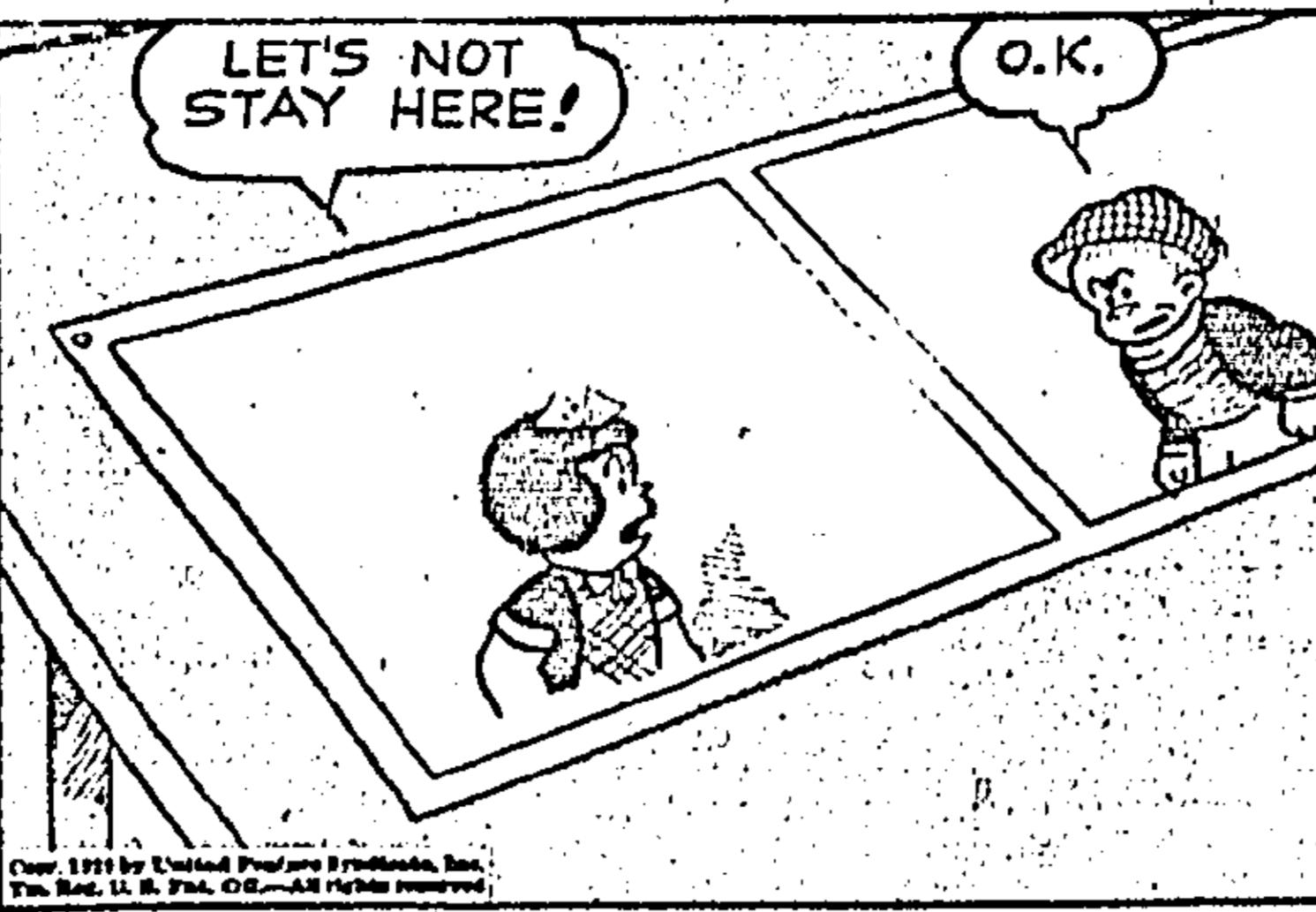
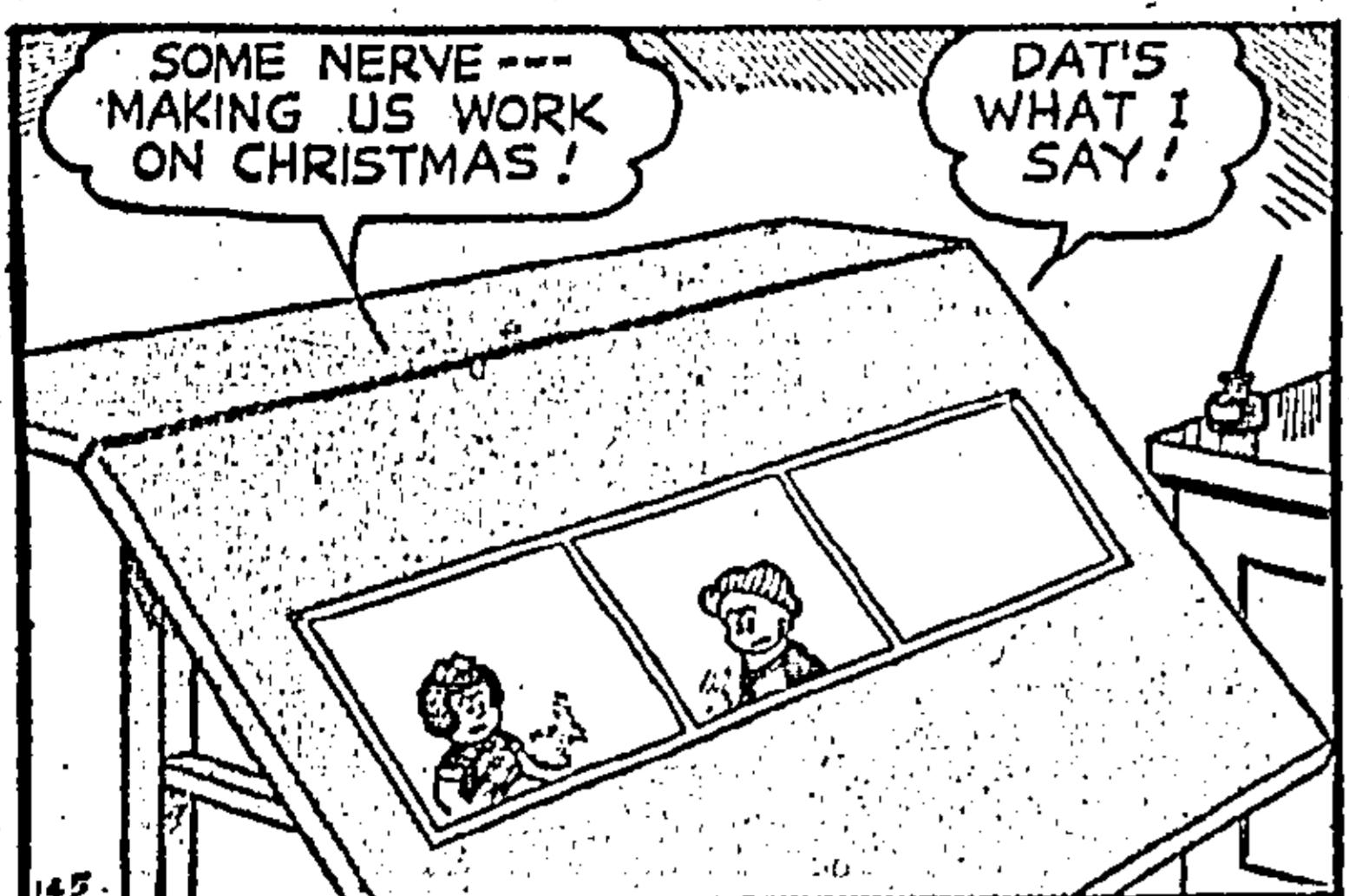
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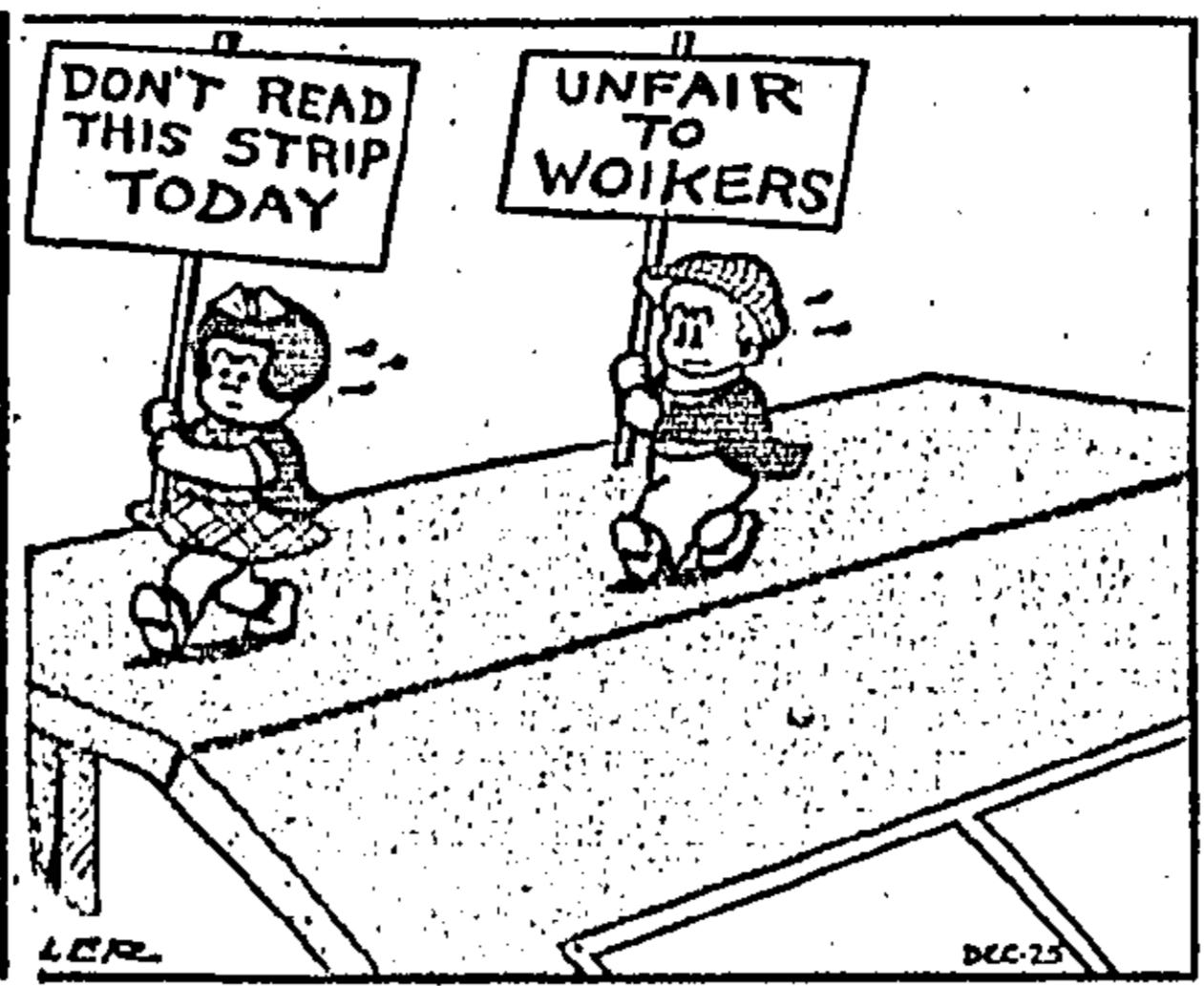
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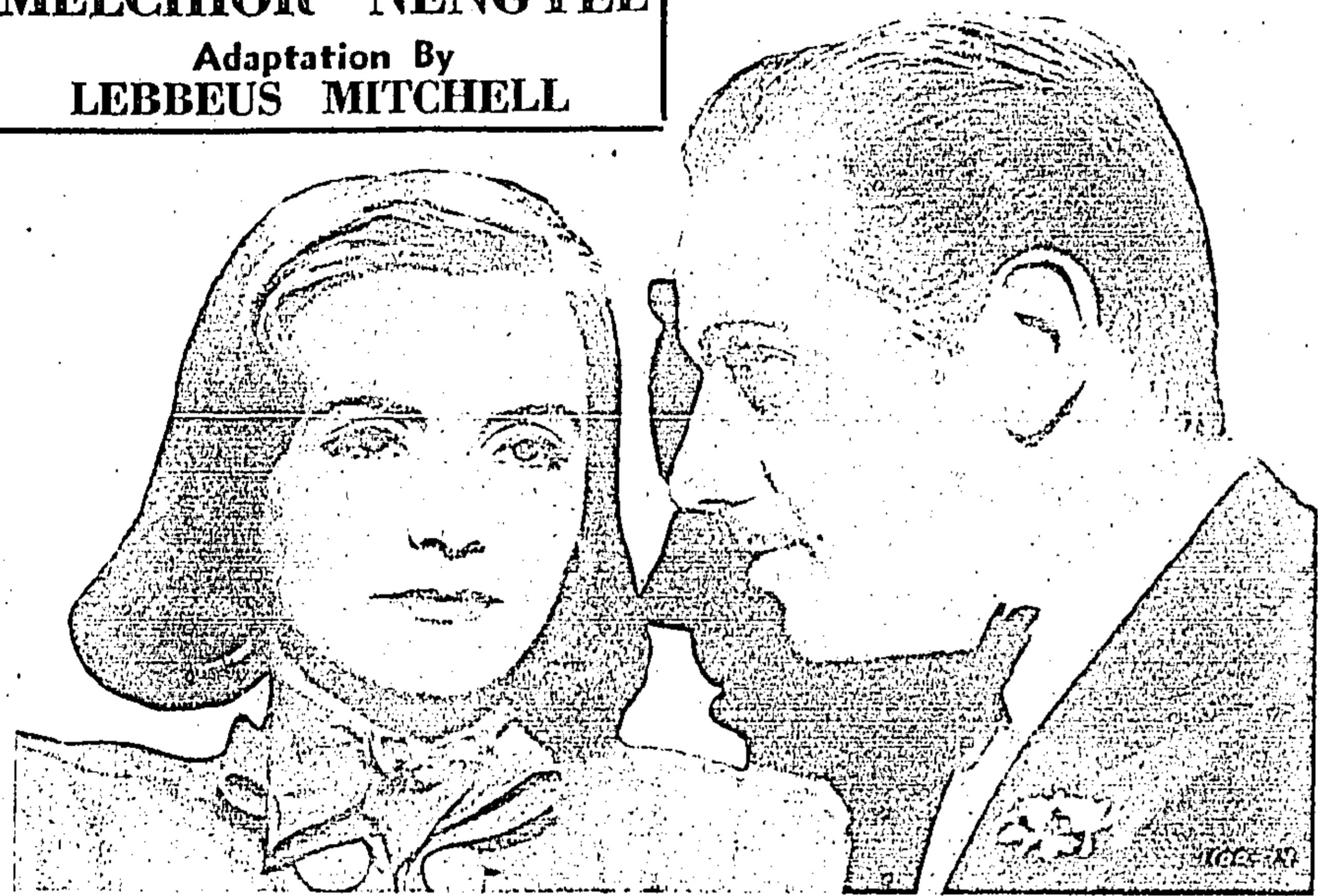


By Ernie Bushmiller



NINOTCHKA

From The Novel By
MELCHIOR NENGYEL
Adaptation By
LEBBEUS MITCHELL



"There were a couple of Frenchmen who went to America"

COUNT d'Algout changed his seat so that he was at her table.

"It was just like telling a musician that you don't like music. That good old man believes in food as you believe in Karl Marx. You can't go around hurting people, Comrade Yaku-shova, but maybe you can make it up to him by eating everything—with relish, drinking everything with gusto, by having a good time for the first time in your natural life!"

Her response was: "I don't like your following me."

"I didn't follow you." "Then how did you get here? This is a place for workmen."

"I always eat here. I am most at home among workmen. This is my natural element."

Seeing her disbelief, he looked around for some means of convincing her, saw a truckman taking an enormousgulp of food. He waved his hand to the truckman, crying: "Yah!" truckman, caught by surprise, decided to humour a good-natured drunk, winked at his companion, and waved vigorously in reply. Leon tried the success with another truckman who replied with equal exuberance.

"They are all my friends—a swell bunch!" he boasted.

LEON was not content to let well enough alone, and when Père Mathieu returned he continued his bluff.

"A h—, my friend, I'm happy to see you again."

"I'm always glad to meet a new customer," replied the restaurateur, "and I hope this first visit won't be your last."

Ninotchka shot him an indignant glance.

"Just an old man, Comrade. His memory is getting weak."

LAUGHTER

The reading was interrupted by a sudden burst of laughter from Ninotchka. As they looked at her in astonishment, she got up.

"I'm sorry, gentlemen. The other day I heard such a funny story—" She broke off to laugh again. "It still makes me laugh. It is very funny . . . Oh, I am sorry. About this injunction"

"The hearing is set for the twentieth of this month," said one lawyer. "We did our utmost to have it set ahead."

"I know, gentlemen, but it is in the hands of the court. We're helpless, aren't we?"

"Well, there's nothing we can do about it. Why get excited?"

The lawyers exchanged glances, astonished at the change that had come over her. The faces of Bulanoff and his companions showed a glimmer of dawning hope.

The lawyers prepared to go. "We'll leave these papers for your further consideration. Au revoir, Madame."

ALONE with the three Russians, Ninotchka was unable entirely to conceal her happiness. "Well, it means another two weeks in Paris."

"Too bad, we have to waste all that time," said Ivanoff.

"On your suggestion," said Kopal'ski, "I got in touch with the Power and Light authorities. You can visit their plants whenever you want to."

"Oh . . . Oh, yes, power and light. Thank you."

"There's something else which I know will appeal to you," said Bulanoff.

Ivanoff. "A visit to the Paris sewers. Very instructive."

"WHAT?" said Ivanoff, "why don't you get a haircut? You all look so wintry, Comrades. And why do we always keep the windows closed?" She opened them.

"At home there's still snow and ice, but look at the birds here! I always feel a little hurt that our swallows left us in the winter for capitalist countries. Now I know why. We have high ideals but they have the climate . . . Well, Comrades, I don't think I need you any more."

"If there is anything we can do for you?" suggested Kopal'ski.

"No, not a thing. Would you like to go out?"

"Thank you, Comrade."

"Have you any money?" At their stammered negative, she produced a fifty franc note and gave it to them.

"Thank you, Comrade. Thank you," they murmured, overwhelmed.

"Bring me forty-five francs."

"Naturally, Comrade." They went out, their faces showing their disappointment.

Left alone, Ninotchka locked the door, turned the portrait of Lenin face to the wall, unlocked the bureau drawer and took from it the hat she had censured in the hotel lobby shop. She put it on, and looked in the mirror. She appeared a stranger to herself.

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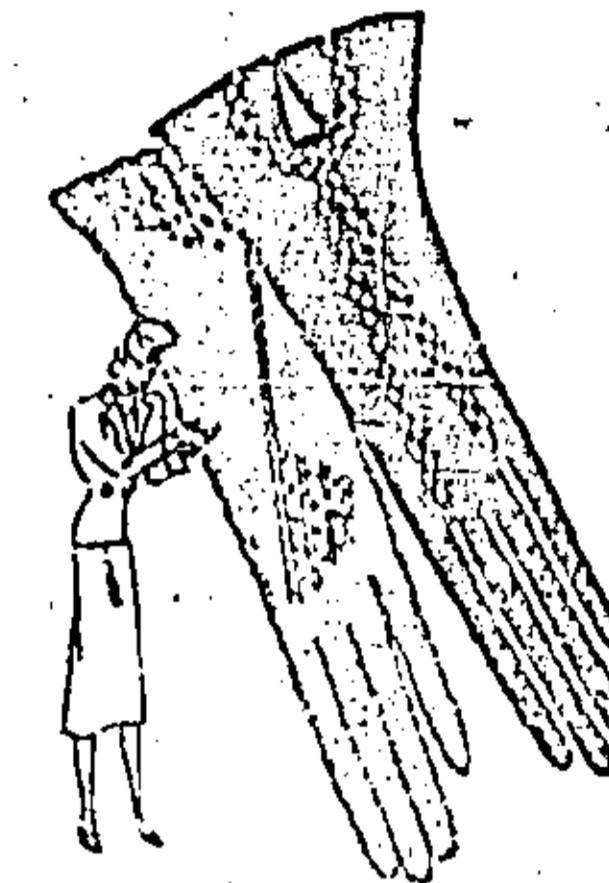
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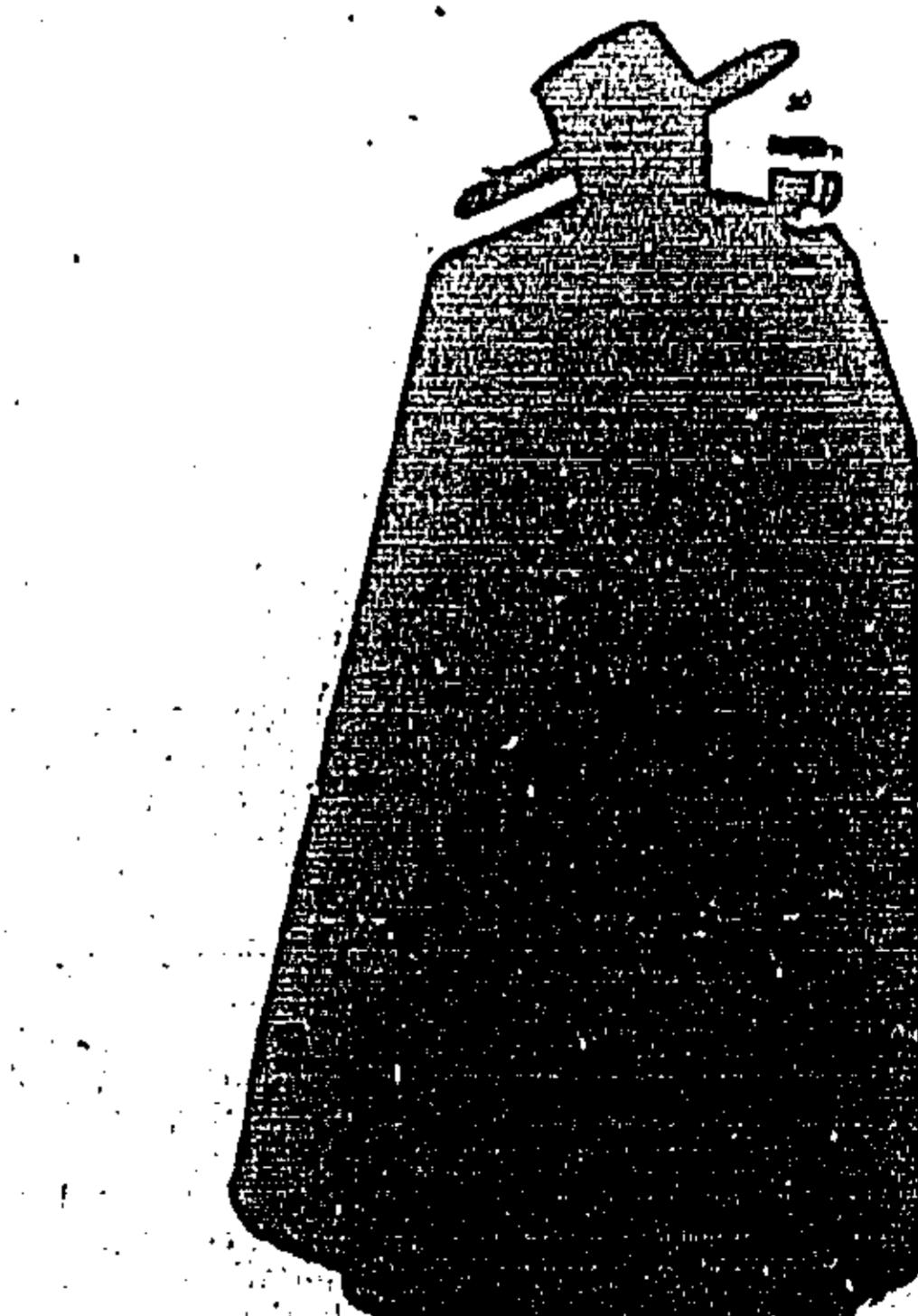
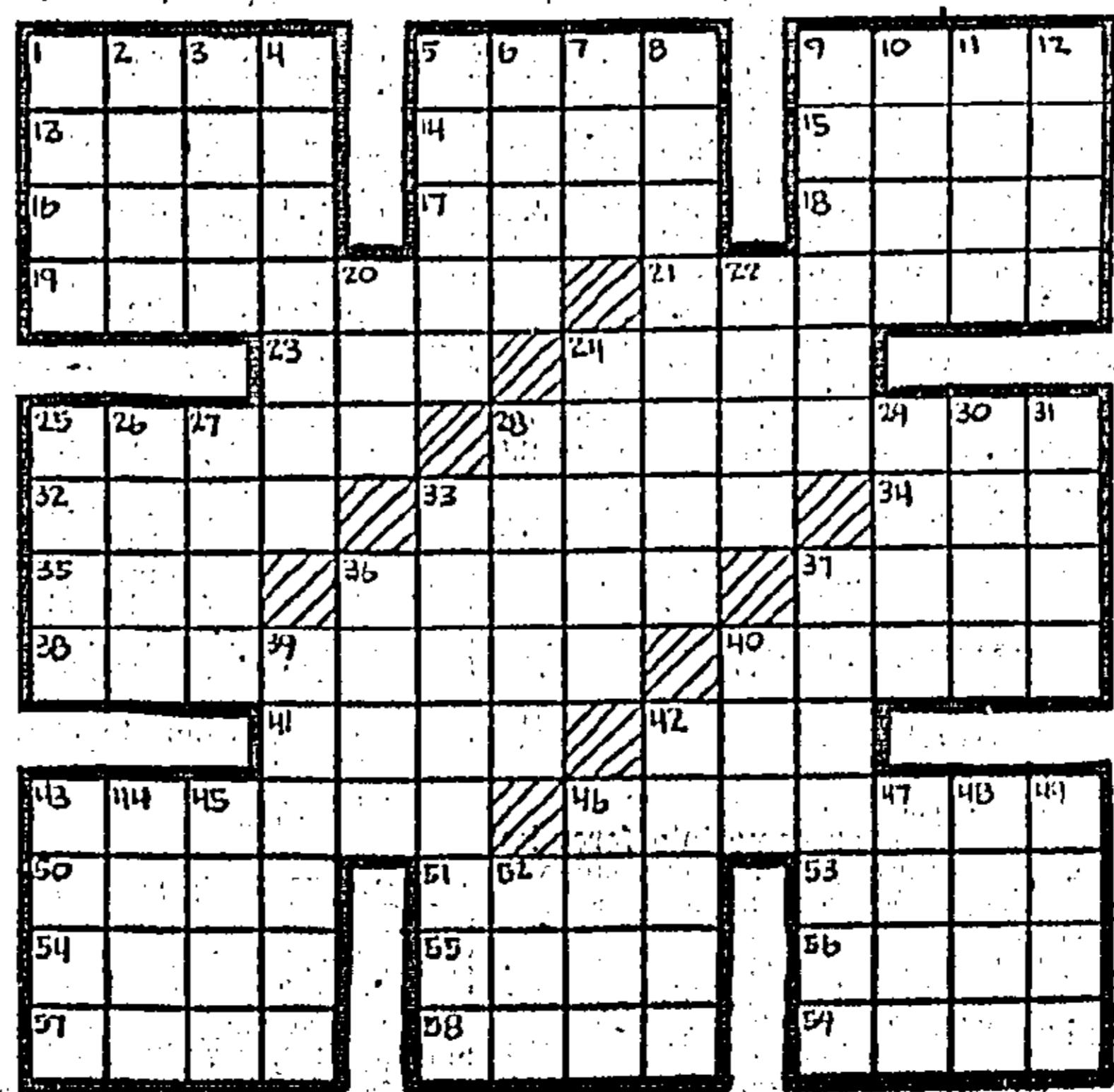
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1—In mining, an	3—Profound
2—Harmful	4—Muse of Irida song
5—Snow vehicle	5—Atrial
6—Large Australian bird	6—Cattle
7—Name	7—Chinese river
8—Accompanied with	8—Having no visible
9—Length of ropes	9—Limit closely
10—Death	10—Allowance of
11—Circulate false and untrue reports about	11—Pampered
12—Bring together	12—Belonging to Daniel
13—Open	13—Sleeping
14—Engraves by means of dots	14—System of solar
15—Yew	15—Gems of trees
16—Leguminous plant (pl.)	16—Botanical auris
17—County in Idaho	17—Religious division
18—Biblical name	18—Indian state
19—American prairie	19—Religious
20—One of Kartvelia's people	20—Religious
21—Religious persons	21—Religious
22—Look fixedly	22—Religious
23—Spoon red (poetic)	23—Religious
24—Crane of multilobed	24—Religious
25—Spoon red (poetic)	25—Religious
26—Furthest crossing of troops	26—Religious
27—Four compound	27—Religious



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four times while my motor car, bedraggled with the Stars and Stripes, took shelter in a forest.

Rubble Of Villages

Occasionally we passed through the rubble of what had been tiny villages—blown to pieces by the 2,000 lb. Russian bombs.

In many ruined villages, dazed crowds stood apathetically around, staring helplessly at the debris.

Finland G.H.Q. officially announced to-night that 20 localities in various parts of southern Finland had been heavily bombed.

Meanwhile, the Russians appear to be opening a second offensive north-east of Lake Ladoga. It has not met with any success.

At least five Soviet bombers were shot down by A.A. fire to-day, and three more are reported to have been lost.

Parachute Patrol Dropped

HELSINKI, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued to-day, referring to yesterday's activities, states that there was heavy artillery action on the Karelian Isthmus.

"During the day the enemy dropped a number of parachute patrols many of whom were taken prisoners and others killed," the communiqué states.

The communiqué gives details of air raids on the south, south-west and north of Finland.

"One civilian was killed and a few others wounded," it continues.

It is claimed that five Soviet planes were brought down.

To Be Evacuated

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 2 (UP).—Press reports say that the Finns have ordered Rovaniemi to be evacuated after an air bombing had killed 25 people and destroyed the post office and all telephone communications this morning.

The raids on Rovaniemi proved that the shelters were incapable of withstanding the 100-kilogram bombs since one of them struck a shelter, killing seven and wounding 30.

"Finnish Bandits"

LONDON, Feb. 2 (UP).—A few hours after President Kallio's peace bid, the Moscow radio broadcast an excerpt from to-day's "Pravda" stating: "Since the British and French imperialists provoked the new war they have tried to drag in the Soviet by instigating the White Finnish serum to attack. The Finnish bandits will, however, be destroyed and exterminated. We will achieve victory over them under our great leader Stalin."

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frostbite, exposure and exhaustion.

Their ship was torpedoed without warning on Sunday morning.

Thirty-three of the survivors spent five days in an overcrowded life boat, tossed by storms, before they reached the Irish coast.

Two men died on Tuesday night after going mad. They were buried at sea.

Before they reached land, two officers and ten seamen died.

The survivors stated that they twice saw ships, which sailed away without seeing their signals.

The Greek flag was painted on both sides of the ship and was illuminated by a spotlight. The flag at the stern was also lit up.

German Claim

LONDON, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—Two more steamer sinkings have been announced by the German wireless, namely, the 6,000 ton British ship, "Oscar," which was torpedoed 140 miles off Cuxhaven, and the Swedish 2,000 ton steamer, "Fram," sunk after an explosion off the British coast.

Nineteen of the crew of the "Fram" were stated to be missing.

No reference was made to the fate of the crew of the "Oregon."

British Donsal

LONDON, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—It is learned from authoritative sources in London that there is no truth in the German claim that the British ship, "Oregon," has been sunk.

Sweden Buys Planes From America

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—It is officially disclosed here that Sweden has virtually completed negotiations for the purchase of 144 new model Vultee pursuit planes from the United States. They will cost, with spare equipment, about \$10,000,000.

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NOTICE

HONG KONG WATER SUPPLY

It is hereby notified that a constant supply of water will be given in all districts from 5.00 a.m. on February 6th, to 12.00 p.m. on February 8th, in connection with the Chinese New Year Festival.

A. H. PURVES,
Water Authority.
Public Works Department,
Hongkong, 1st February, 1940.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 5th day of February, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of

one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a

Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Lot No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in feet	Area in acres	Ann. Rent.	Upset Price
1	4212	Junction of Blue Street and Mi. Rood.	at per sale plan.	9,800	1/49	\$ 100	7,150

THE "STAR" FERRY CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY WILL be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the 16th February, 1940, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 December, 1939.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 9th February, 1940, to Friday, the 16th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1940.

LABOUR LEADERS PRAISE FINLAND

HELSINKI, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—The British Labour delegation headed by Sir Walter Citrine left to-day for Stockholm and Copenhagen to attend a conference of Scandinavian Labour leaders.

Sir Walter, interviewed to-day, said that the delegation was returning to England with the intention of urging the Government to accord Finland the fullest help.

Sir Walter added that the unity of Finland was exemplary.

Mr. Noel Baker, another member of the delegation, expressed respect for the Finnish soldiers who, man for man, were immensely superior to the Russians.

N.Z. Contribution

WELLINGTON, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—The New Zealand Government has decided to allot £5,000 for Red Cross work in Finland.

Dr. N. C. MacLeod, Deputy Director of Health Service, has been appointed to be a member of the Nutrition Research Committee.

Mr. Cyril Champkin has relinquished his appointment as Chief Air Raid Warden for Hongkong.

RELYING ON NAVAL AVIATION

American Defence In Pacific

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2 (UP).—Comdr. Leland P. Lovett, Navy Department spokesman, in speech at a women's patriotic conference, said that all competent foreign experts agreed that the American naval and aviation departments are the best in the world.

He indicated that the United States intended to rely heavily on naval aviation for operations far out to sea from the continental boundaries of a war either in the Atlantic or Pacific.

He reiterated that in the last United States Fleet manoeuvres in the Atlantic, 500 naval planes flew night and day intermittently for 21 days without a single loss of personnel.

The line through Alaska, Hawaii and Samoa, which is the main line in Pacific defence, will be protected as much as possible by planes. The construction of filling stations and overhaul bases for seaplanes so engaged on certain strategic points are now under way.

Lord Mayor's Fund Passes £1,000,000

LONDON, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—Congratulations from the Duke of Gloucester, now at B.E.F. Headquarters, on the Lord Mayor of London's Red Cross Fund passing the £1,000,000 mark were read at a Mansion House luncheon to-day.

His Royal Highness expressed particular pleasure to see the splendid support received from the Dominions and the Colonies.

Although everyone recognised that this first £1,000,000 was but a milestone on the long uphill road, the remarkable success being achieved must inspire heart and courage to our workers, both at home and abroad.

It was clear that the British public would not permit the great work of mercy, to which the Red Cross and St. John's had set their heads, to be handicapped by lack of funds, concluded His Royal Highness.

Leave Now Resumed

LONDON, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—Leave for the British Expeditionary Force has now been resumed and, weather permitting, the first party is expected home to-day.

The party will consist of men with homes in the south and west of England.

Others will leave France as soon as the railway traffic to the north of England is normal again. The railway companies stated that this should not be long.

The Midland Railway opened their normal schedule this morning when their first train commenced running.

Trains on the East Coast are now running to within 1½ hours of their normal schedule time.

JAPAN AND RUMANIA TO TRADE

TOKYO, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—A commercial understanding has been reached between Rumania and Japan, says the "Domei" agency.

According to reliable information, the agency, the Japanese Foreign Office since last year has been conducting for the furtherance of trade, and it is declared that the Rumanian Government has reciprocated the Japanese efforts.

It is stated that Rumania has agreed on condition that Japan buys Rumanian products under barter system.

Fishing Boat As Auxiliary Fire-Fighter

LONDON, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—A new departure was made by the Auxiliary Fire Service to-day when Auxiliary firemen put to sea in a fishing boat which had been converted into a fireboat for the occasion by the installation of trailer pumps and gear.

The boat made a voyage of several miles to deal with a fire aboard the Newcastle steamer, "Royal Crown."

This fire was started by enemy bombs. Special permission had to be obtained from the Home Office for this new use of Auxiliary fire-fighting apparatus which, it is pointed out, may mean the saving of vessels which otherwise would be destroyed.

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Mr. G. P. Ferguson, of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, has been appointed to be an Honorary Aide-de-Camp to His Excellency the Governor.

Speed Restriction Comes Into Force

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Opening Of Yangtse

Ambassador's Demand

SHANGHAI, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The American Ambassador, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, is expected to present a demand for the opening of the Yangtse to Hankow when he meets the Japanese Ambassador-at-large, Mr. Sosomatsu Kato, on his return to Shanghai from Hankow in a few days, according to the pro-Wang Ching-wel "China News Agency."

The agency adds that consequently the re-opening of the Yangtse and the extent of the navigable area now depend on the outcome of the meeting.

The agency quotes local observers as stating that the re-opening of the Lower Yangtse aims at readjustment of Japanese-American relations and a stepping stone to a new commercial pact.

PEACE IN BALKANS

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to the Aegean Sea, will meet with a peaceful solution in time.

The recent meeting in Venice of Count Ciano and Count Csaky is stated to have also clarified the situation.

Won't Go To War

It is now known that Hungary will not go to war for the recovery of Transylvania from Rumania. This question has also been "adjourned".

The principal Italian diplomat has been to persuade Hungary and Bulgaria to await the new European settlement.

Italy is reported to have promised to support the claims of both.

Bulgaria's Position

ROME, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—An account of the first meeting of the Belgrade Conference, given by the "Giornale d'Italia," states that M. Gafencu, General Metaxas, M. Sarnogjut, and M. Cincar-Marcovitch were present at the meeting which was expected to last less than an hour but was so protracted that the programme for consultations was postponed until this afternoon.

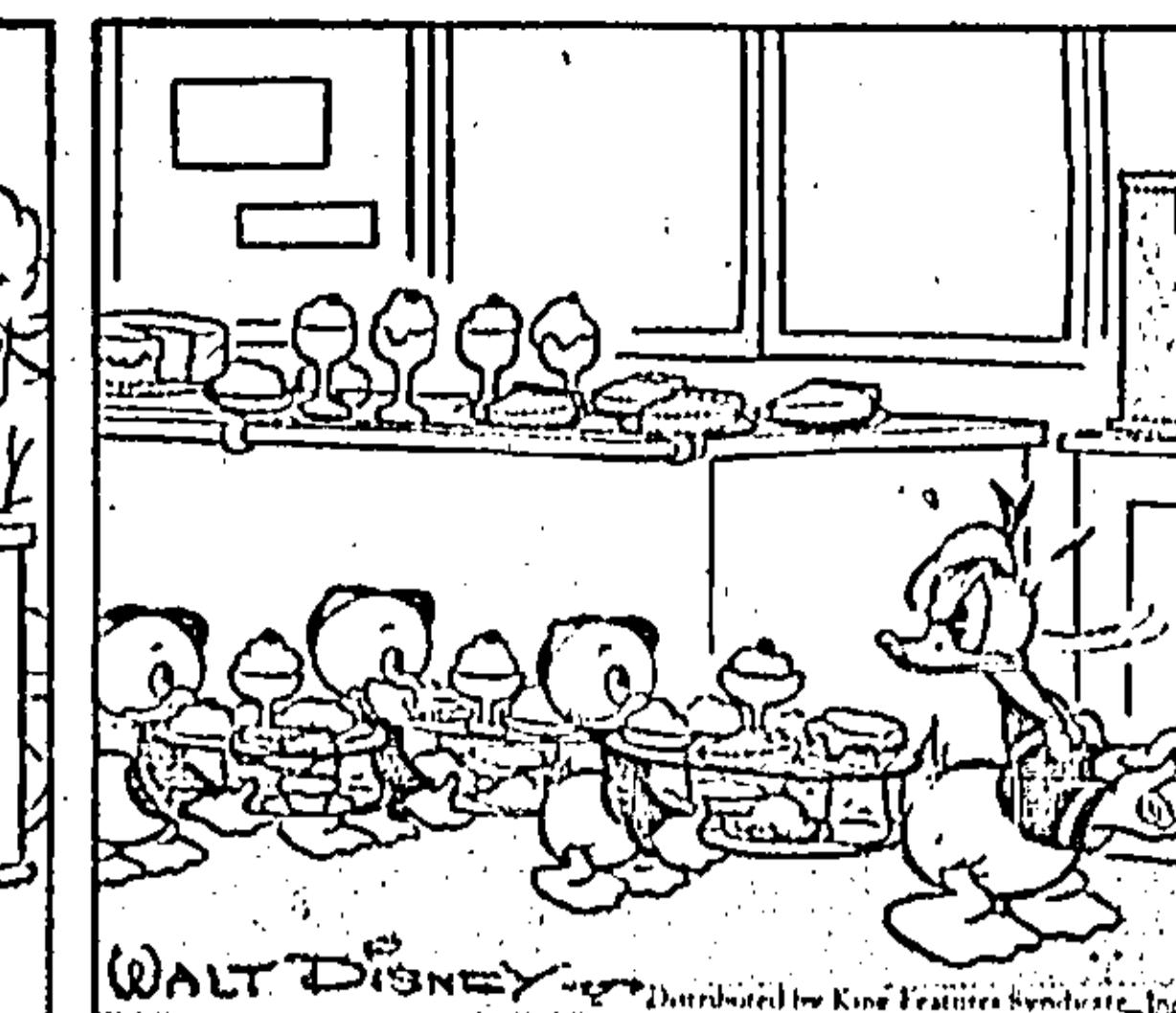
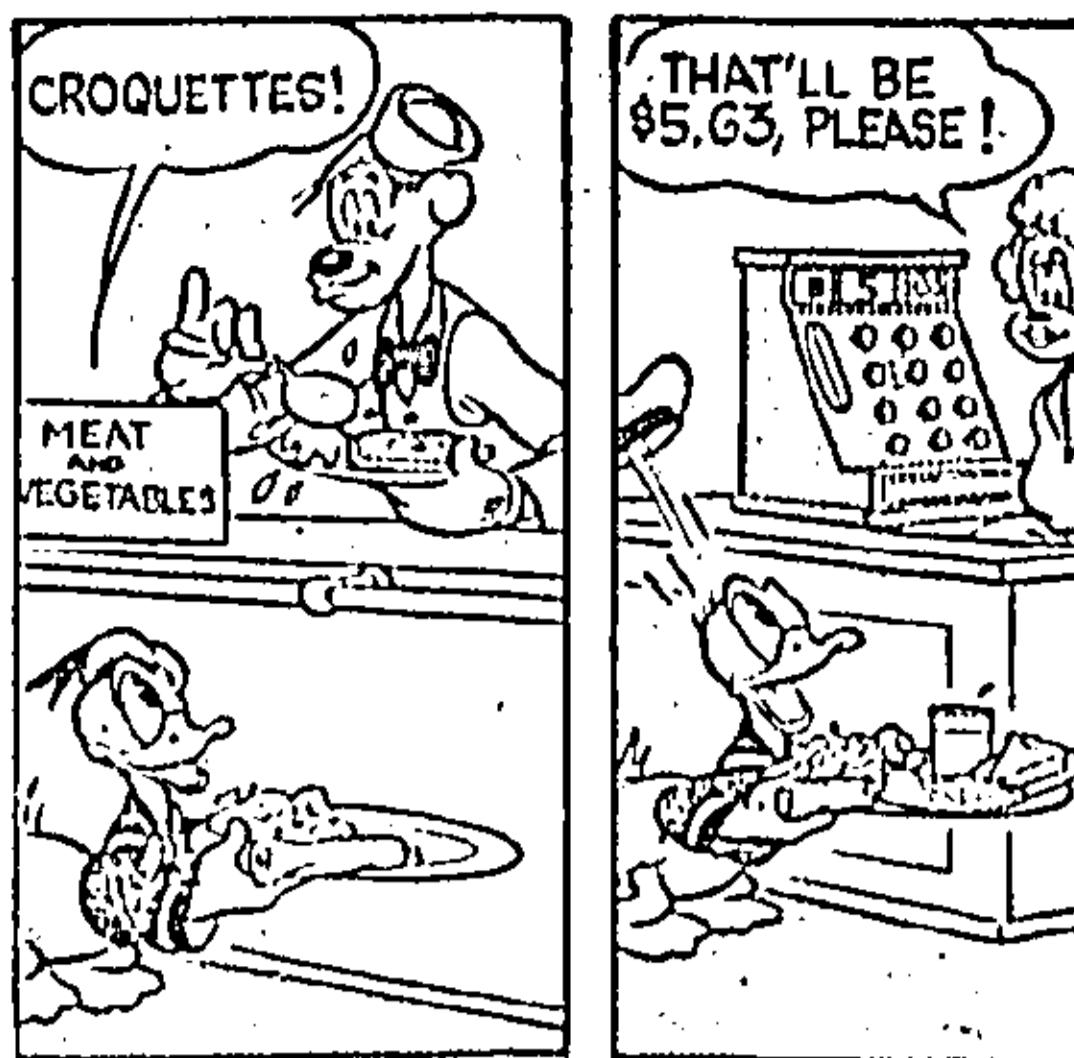
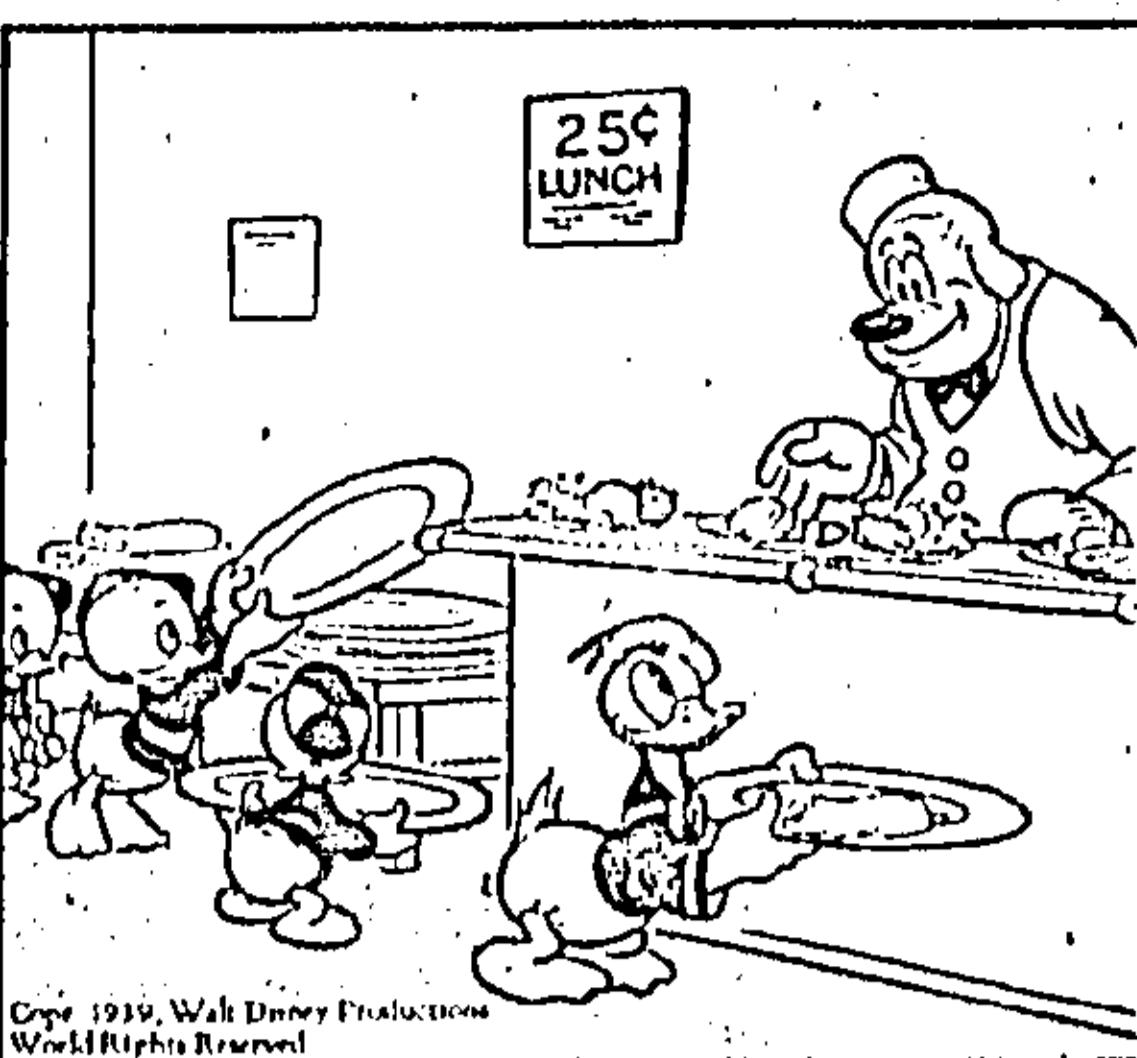
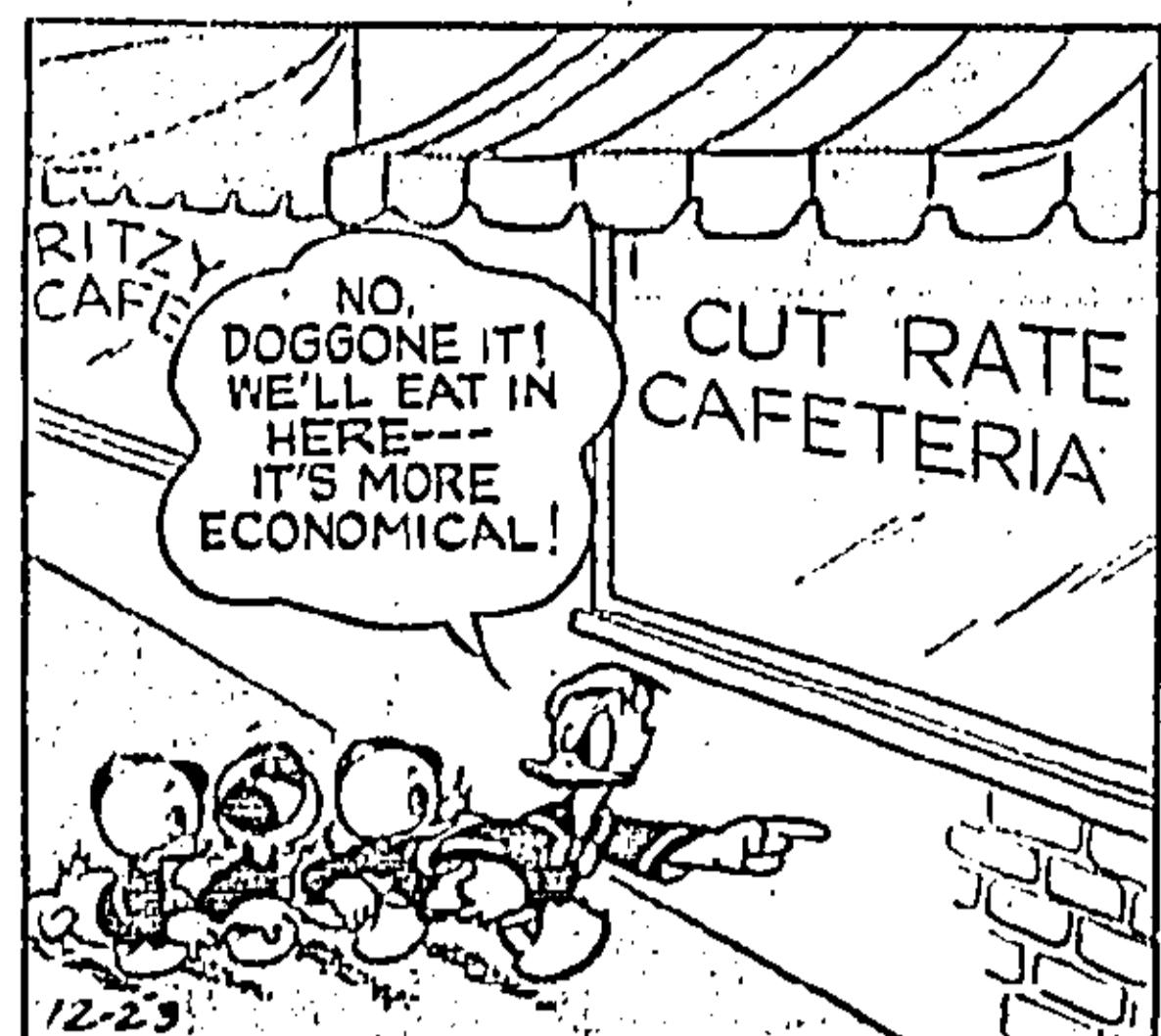
Regarding Bulgaria's position, the newspaper learns that Bulgaria will continue being neutral but will not forgo her national claims although she is ready to collaborate with all her neighbours.

She, therefore, will not join the Balkan Entente until all the component states decide to solve all the outstanding disputes among them.

Barrier Against Nazis

LONDON, Feb. 2 (Reuter).—Commenting on

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Finnish War

RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE REPULSED

Helsinki, Feb. 2. After an all-night battle, the largest Russian offensive made in many weeks on the Karelian Isthmus has been repulsed. The battle was preceded by a six-hour Soviet artillery bombardment, after which the Russians attacked with tanks and armoured sledges, which is a new surprise weapon. These sledges, which were pushed in front of the tanks, were occupied by machine gun crews. The object is to penetrate with this weapon as far as possible into the Finnish lines.

A squadron of 130 planes assisted the offensive and dropped a half of bombs on the Finnish lines and the fighters swooped down and machine-gunned the lines.

The Russians met with withering fire from machine guns and artillery. The Russians all night in central Finland continued to day and hundreds of bombs were dropped. A neutral correspondent stated that the Soviet forces made no attempt to bomb military objectives.

Helsinki was again raided yesterday and to-day the alarm was sounded but no planes appeared.—Reuter Bulletin.

Red Cross Protest

Stockholm, Feb. 2. The Swedish Red Cross has decided to ask the International Red Cross Committee to investigate the waging of aerial warfare against the civil population in Finland and violations of the Red Cross symbol of the Geneva Convention, of which the Russians are alleged to have been guilty and also to assist in connection with the removal of sick and seriously wounded to Sweden.—Reuter.

Ex-Kaiser's Views

New York, Feb. 2. "Belligerents should stop fighting and join forces to help the Finns and rid the world of civilisation of Bolshevism." The ex-Kaiser, it is reported, has written this uncensored letter to his biographer and closest friend, Mr. Poulton Bigelow.

The ex-Kaiser is stated to have declared that the Finns were a magnificent state and had smashed the nimbus of Bolshevism. They had set people thinking—with the result that the wish for peace was gaining ground.—Reuter.

Helsinki Alarm Sounded

Helsinki, Feb. 2. The air raid alarm was sounded here at midnight last night and lasted for 25 minutes. This was the first time a late night alarm had been sounded in the Finnish capital since December.

Although there was bright starlight no planes were sighted and none was heard in the centre of the city.

A communiqué says that Russian planes killed scores of civilians and wounded 40 in the air raids over north Finland on Wednesday.—United Press.

Russian Communiqué

Moscow, Feb. 2. The official Soviet communiqué said that Russian planes had carried out reconnaissance flights and bombed military objectives. Further, it claimed that three Finnish planes had been brought down.—United Press.

TREBITSCH LINCOLN

Has Peace Plan To Put Before Roosevelt

Shanghai, Feb. 2. After the American Consulate had refused Trebitsch Lincoln a visa on the ground that he has no passport, Lincoln sent a letter to the Consulate requesting a *laissez passer*, saying that the question of achieving peace was of far greater importance and urgency than the passport regulations.

"Your President and Government quite evidently have no workable peace plan," he wrote. "All the religious leaders who have hitherto visited the President also quite manifestly have no plans but trivial banalities and catchy phrases without substance.

"The peace effort must be immediate; otherwise it will be too late. A workable peace is known only to the Buddhists and I therefore offer my services with no intention of seeking a job, honours or anything else."

"If I fall to live up to my promise I will stand unmasked before the world as the greatest charlatan; but if I succeed would it not have been worthwhile to give me a chance?"—United Press.

Girl in Car Cross-Examined

DENIES SHE BROUGHT CASE FOR REVENGE

NORAH BRADLEY, aged 21, of Wigan, who alleges she was forcibly carried off in a car by the two brothers of the man she had lived with, was cross-examined in the King's Bench Division.

She denied that she had brought the case for revenge because of a refusal of marriage.

She claims damages for alleged conspiracy and assault against Norman and Maurice Webster, of Wigan.

Her counsel, Mr. P. E. Sandlands, K.C., told her she was a shorthand typist to a firm in which the Websters and their brother Fred were partners.

She formed a boy and girl friendship with Norman's son, Kenneth, and later, under promise of marriage, lived with his uncle Fred at Blackpool.

Kenneth, who she said, wanted to marry her, joined the R.A.F. She went to Mildenhall, Suffolk, to be near him.

On December 10 last, Norman and Maurice induced her to enter a car, assaulted her by keeping her in it, and drove to Cambridge, where the car was stopped by the police.

The Websters denied they had detained her, denied assault, and claimed she went into the car voluntarily.

In February Kenneth's letters ceased.

Man Named Tom

Mr. A. E. Baucher (defending): When did you make up your mind that you intended to marry Kenneth?—It was he who suggested it to me; I didn't want to marry him until I had had my baby.

She agreed she did not receive any wages at Blackpool.

You went direct to the flat, didn't you, with Fred?—No.

She denied Fred made suggestions that, in his absence, she was being visited by others.

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HITLER WAITING FOR INSPIRATION

HITLER, according to a despatch from the German frontier published in the Paris newspaper *Ordre*, has been persuaded by his generals not to attempt a mass attack on the Maginot Line accompanied by an invasion of Belgium.

According to the same report he is "waiting for inspiration" before he makes his next move.

In the early days of the war Hitler declared the piercing the Maginot Line would be worth the loss of 400,000 men, but when the General Staff told him that it would mean suicide he ordered Goering to draw up plans for a mass attack on Britain.

The German Air Chief told Hitler that such an attack could only be successful if Germany possessed air bases in Belgium. Hitler ordered General Halder, chief of the General Staff, to map out a plan of attack on Belgium.

General Halder declared that he could not recommend such an operation and offered his resignation, which was refused.

Now the Fuehrer, according to *Ordre*, is waiting for one of those inspirations which have dictated his past coups.

There is the sound of continuous heavy artillery fire at Petange and Rodange in the south-west of Luxembourg. At Remerschen, however, which is nearer to the Moselle front, nothing is heard.

It is thought that fighting was in progress at some more or less distant part of the front, although the French official communiques merely recorded activity by light reconnoitring units from both sides between the Moselle and the Saar.

Fire has been heavier east of Sarreguemines (which is just inside the French frontier), where there is no particular target. About fifty shells have been fired.

German patrols and raiders have been active in this area, and a raid was attempted east of Forbach, but the raiders were driven off by the intense fire of the French posts.

According to reports in the Italian Press, the German objective is to drive the French back sufficiently to put the Saar mines out of danger. The artillery action may therefore be designed to prepare an advance for this purpose.

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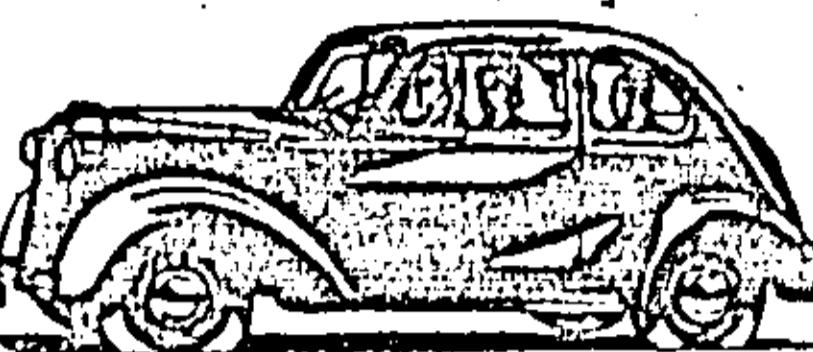
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SINCE 1918 the risk of an invasion of Britain has received little attention, perhaps because the fact that there had been no attempt during four years of war on the greatest scale made the possibility look like a bogey that had been laid.

Yet, by now, at any rate, there is sound cause for discounting the danger—in its old and familiar form.

For the development of air power has greatly diminished the possibility of sea-borne invasion.

A landing on a foreign coast in face of hostile troops has always been one of the most difficult operations of war.

It has now become much more difficult, indeed almost impossible, because of the vulnerable target which a convoy of transports offers to the defenders' air force as it approaches the shore.

Even more vulnerable to air attack is the process of disembarkation in open boats.

It might be achieved only if the opposing aircraft could be driven out of the sky while the operation was proceeding.

But the defenders' aircraft, since they will be operating from the shore, are almost bound to out-number those that the invader can carry in his ships or in aircraft carriers to cover the landing.

Of all types of force an air force has the greatest mobility and flexibility, especially when it is operating in its own territory, where there is likely to be a close-linked chain of aerodromes.

Thereby it can be concentrated swiftly in ever-growing numbers at any point on the coast where an invader's appearance is reported.

By contrast, the invader's resources are rigidly limited, unless and until he can not only make good his landing but occupy a sufficiently large stretch of the country to establish aerodromes.

Only against some isolated colony, out of reach of air reinforcement from the mother-country, does there seem to be a chance of overseas invasion succeeding under present-day conditions.

Britain herself is at least more secure than ever before against invasion in the familiar sense.

This island is not likely to feel the trend of an invading army unless as a sequel to capitulation from other causes.

So far as there is any chance of a decisive stroke directly against us it could only come from overwhelming air attack.

This would not be invasion in the normal meaning of the word, since it would be delivered by forces operating from and returning after each attack to another country. It would really be super-sea raiding.

None the less, there is now a serious threat of a new kind of invasion by "ground forces," though not by "air force." This possibility has arisen just as the old danger was disappearing.

It was heralded by Russia's development of parachute troops, which has since been copied in several other Continental countries.

IN the Russian manoeuvres of 1936 a force of 1,200 men,



A Nazi aerial photograph of Britain.

together with 150 machine-guns and 18 light field-guns, was carried 100 miles in trop-carrying aircraft and dropped on an aerodrome behind the enemy's front.

Within eight minutes of the release of the parachutes the force had assembled on the ground and driven off the defenders. Since then the scale of the forces used in such operations has been increased.

As regards their actual use and material effect, it would seem that they might find opportunity in thinly populated and hilly-wooded countries, especially in Asia or Africa. Also in mountain warfare as a pass or narrow valley can be held by a few men against many.

By dropping parachute units to seize such points in the rear of the opposing army its reinforcement might be prevented, its supplies interrupted, or its retreat cut off.

But in the greater part of Western Europe, where forces are thick on the ground, and there is a network of roads, any small parachute force that was dropped might be quickly located and overwhelmed by motorised troops and tanks which were rushed to the spot.

The prospect for such air-borne detachments would be even less promising in Britain, since there would be no main enemy army within reach to profit by their efforts, break through the defenders' front and come to their relief.

An invasion of this country by troops carried through the air may thus be reckoned unlikely.

Drab and Dirty

HONGKONG residents returning from leave discover that, after the capitals and larger cities of Europe and America, one word befits our city.

That word is "dingy." This city has an ill-kept, unwashed, unpainted appearance. Its architecture is generally lacking in beauty and imagination, and if it were not that it is so picturesquely set on its lovely harbour, it would resemble an ill-kept city in the middle of China.

Whose is the fault? Is it due to governmental neglect, lack of vision by the business community, apathy of the people? It is everybody's fault—all these things are contributory to a general lack of civic pride. The business people build unadorned boxes of ugly shape in which to do their business. They have no money for the adornments of architecture. The public never gets angry enough about these things. It befools itself to its sports and gets out of the city as quickly as it can.

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At the root of this general lack of civic pride is a general lack of response to beauty, a preoccupation with the affairs of business, and sport, and enjoyment, which finds no time or money for the graces of life. It is not that there is not a leaven of aesthetic sensibility among our people. We have

artists and architects, and a minority of citizens who love beauty and order, and attempt in their own homes to make up what the muss in its city has neglected. There are a few—a very few—beautiful city buildings. These, however, are set cheek by jowl with vulgar erections.

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They bid us be kind to each dear little Hun. That he may be sorry for what he has done. They say that the German is gentle and mild. (The soul of a saint and his heart of a child.)

They think of the German as friendly and fat. (I wonder what Neville would say about that.)

The trouble, of course, he is easily led, and loves all his enemies—when they are gone, let us unite with the Czech and the Pole.

To honour the Hun and his little white soul, we meet him so much, we are sending the To blow him to blazes—by way of a treat; And when we have finally scuppered the lot, we won't give a hoot if he's angry or not.

And the queerest point I ever was taught in the local realms of martial thought was the official version of how I ought to take down a contaminate's trousers!

Wash and bake and steam and boil; Sounds like amah's daily toll. Not the warlike task of deleting oil From the heavier canvas fabrics.

If Lewistie fell in the Reservoir, polluting our somewhat meagre store, would a drink of this stuff occasion some internal perturbation?

ENVOL. The Examiner frowned a deep, black frown. And he said, said he "That's another thumbs down! All he seems to know is that Mustard's brown!"

That's why I can't be a Warden!

Black Out

A FIGURE sauntered past me

In the black of night;

Admittedly my torch was hardly

bright, but batteries are scarce now, and her

Certainly reminded me of Kate,

I hurried on, caught up. Then—

It wasn't Kate but just a killed Jock.

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OF COURSE YOU KNOW—

ALL you need are a pencil, a place to sit, a few moments' leisure and the ordinary amount of time to steer you through this maze of general knowledge.

Method of scoring is to take two points for each correct answer. Average is 30, good 30-10, excellent 40-50. Read each question carefully, mark your answer, and when you've completed the 25, check the answers, but DON'T PEEK.

1.—Most soldiers of fortune and vagabond world travellers have been, at one time or another, "on the beach" at Callao, which is a town in

Brazil, Peru, Panama, Honduras, Chile, Nicaragua.

2.—Said Mungatroyd: "Something in the world should gratify my daughter Mignonette. How about a simple necklace of catocalas?" Said I: "But how absurd. Catocalas are—

Ancient Roman galley sperm whales, desert plants, confections for sweetening the breath.

3.—Last night the moon had a golden ring.

4.—To-night no moon we see!—these lines, recalling schooldays, were written by—

Tennyson, Coleridge, Byron, Keats, Longfellow.

5.—You should have little or no trouble in translating these well-known Italian cities into English—

Florence, Genoa, Venezia, Torino, Napoli.

6.—Chinese New Year day doesn't fall on January 1 because—

It's a lunar new year; it's c

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1940

READERS ARE INVITED TO SUBMIT PHOTOGRAPHS OF LOCAL INTEREST FOR PUBLICATION IN THIS SUPPLEMENT. THESE SHOULD BE SENT IN AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.



THE PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE in Waterloo Road was opened last Sunday, the service being attended by a large congregation who filled the imposing edifice. This picture shows the new tabernacle with members of the congregation standing outside. —Ming Yuon.



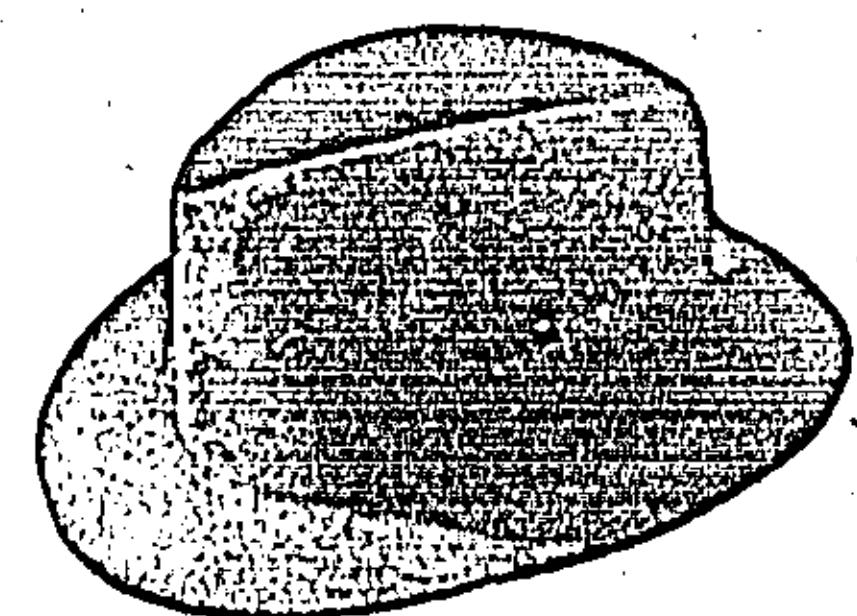
HERE IS A SKILFUL AND CONFIDENT young lady rider who delighted spectators at the annual sports of the Hongkong Riding School held last Sunday. As can be seen, she sits on her pony like a seasoned trooper. —Ming Yuon.

THE TWO INSET PICTURES above were taken at the Chinese Methodist Church last Sunday, when Dr. Selwyn - Clarke, the Director of Medical Services gave an address in connection with the authorities' anti - T.B. campaign. Here we see Dr. Selwyn-Clarke delivering his address, and above the large congregation who listened to him. —Ming Yuon.

THE HON. MR. R. A. C. NORTH and Mrs. North were visitors to the St. Louis Industrial School last week, and here we see them listening to an address of welcome by one of the scholars. The Hon. Mr. and Mrs. North displayed great interest in the work of the school, remarking on the splendid achievements of the scholars. —Ming Yuon.



HERE ARE TWO other studies taken at the annual sports of the Hongkong Riding School. Centre photograph shows some of the adults enjoying themselves at one of the sideshows. Behind them stand encouraging supporters. Below that is a young rider who showed remarkable skill in taking the hurdles. This is a characteristic study of the young man. —Mee Cheung.



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MRS. ENID LITTON (right) and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu, photographed before their match in the final of the women's singles tennis championship of the Colony played on Saturday last. Mrs. Litton won easily. —Ming Yuon.



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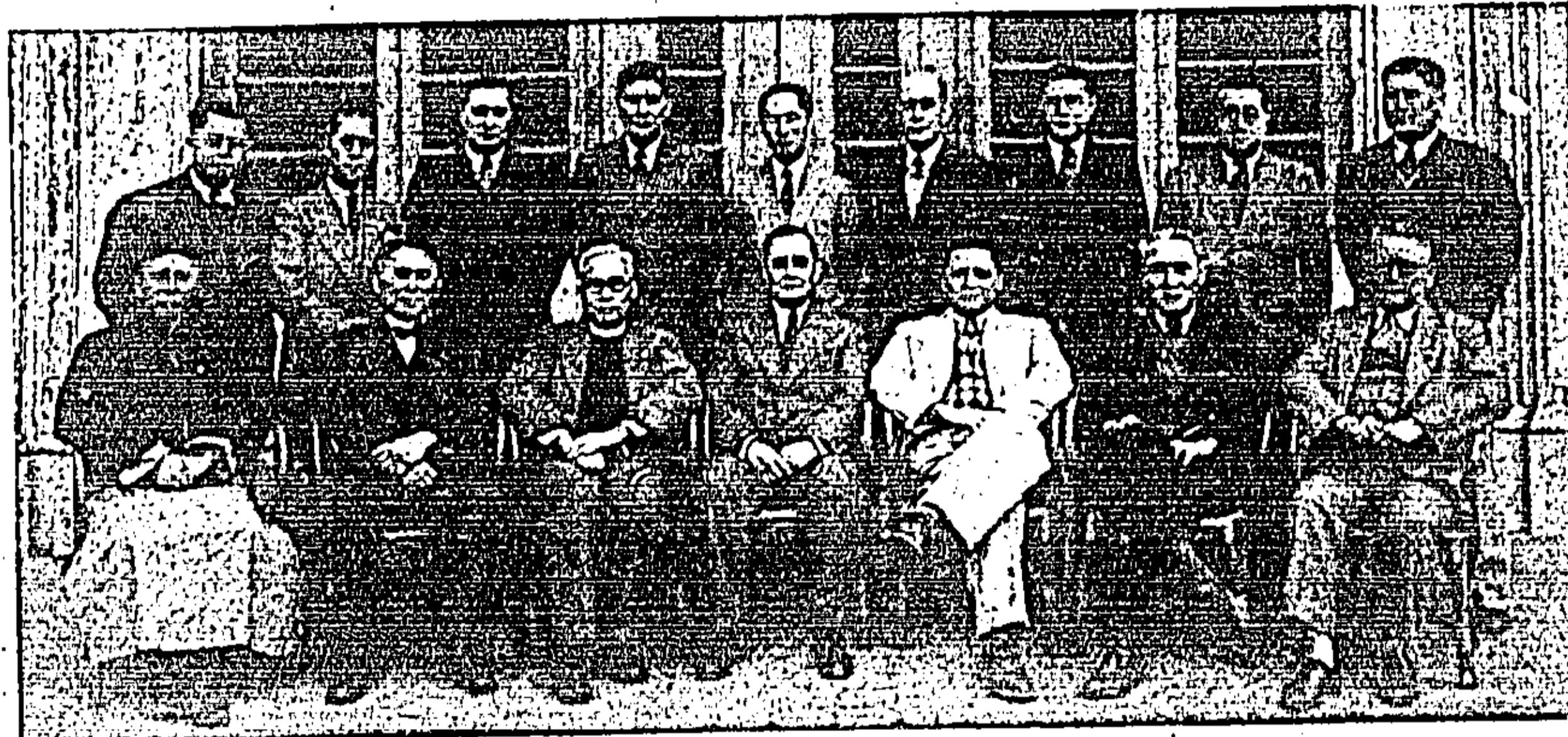
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MEMBERS OF THE Central British Association women's hockey team photographed before their league match with the European Y.M.C.A. last Saturday. The Y.M.C.A., Caor Clark Cup champions won the match.—Ming Yuen.



THIS GROUP PHOTOGRAPH shows past and present directors of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association on the occasion of the transfer of their offices.—Ming Yuen.



THE HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS are having their second spell of camp life within three months, and here we see some of the lads being taught how to erect barbed wire barricades. The camps will continue during the next few weeks, and despite the recent cold spell, members are managing to enjoy themselves while under canvas.—Ming Yuen.

CHINESE SOCIETY was represented at the wedding last week of Mr. Lim Kuan-yew, son of Mr. Lim Man-tin of Singapore, and Miss Li Wai-yin, daughter of Mr. Li Koon-chun, J.P., and Director of the Bank of East Asia. Hero is the bride and groom photographed after their wedding at the Registry in Hongkong.—Ming Yuen.



PARTICULARLY EFFECTIVE study of Mrs. Enid Litton making a winning forehand drive during her championship match with Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu last Saturday.—Ming Yuen.



THE MEMORY of the immortal Robert Burns was fittingly celebrated by members of the Royal Scots Sergeant's Mess at the Hotel Cecil on Saturday last. This flashlight photograph was taken during the function, which was an outstanding success.—Ming Yuen.

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By WINSTON CHURCHILL

THE British Empire and the French Republic have been at war with Nazi Germany for months.

We have not yet come at all to the severity of fighting which is to be expected:

I speak, as First Lord of the Admiralty, with especial caution. It would seem that the U-boat attack upon the life of the British Isles has not proved successful. It is true that when they sprang out upon us and we were going about our ordinary business, with two thousand ships in constant movement every day upon the seas, they managed to do some serious damage.

But the Royal Navy has immediately attacked the U-boats, and is hunting them night and day—I will not say without mercy—because God forbid we should ever part company with that; but at any rate with zeal, and not altogether without relish.

And it looks very much as it is: the U-boats who are feeling the weather and not the Royal Navy or the world-wide commerce of Britain.

During the first month of the war we captured by our efficient contraband control 150,000 tons more German merchandise—food, oil, minerals and other commodities—for our own benefit than we lost by all the U-boat sinkings put together. I hope the day will come when the Admiralty will be able to invite the ships of all nations to join the British convoys and insure them on their voyages at a reasonable rate.

WE must, of course, expect that the U-boat attack upon the seaborne commerce of the world will be renewed presently on a greater scale. We hope, by the measure we have taken, that our means of putting down this pest will grow continually. We are taking great care about that.

Now I wish to speak about what is happening in our own island. When a peaceful democracy is suddenly made to fight for its life there must be a lot of trouble and hardship in turning over from peace to war. I feel very keenly the reproaches of those who wish to throw themselves into the fight, but for whom we cannot find full scope at the present time. All this will clear as we get into our stride.

His Majesty's Government is unitedly resolved to make the maximum effort of which the British nation is capable, and to persevere, whatever may happen, until decisive victory is gained. Meanwhile patriotic men and women, and those who understand the high causes in human fortunes which are at stake, must not only rise above fear, they must also rise above inconvenience and boredom.

PARLIAMENT will be kept in session and all grievances or muddles or scandals can be freely ventilated there. In past times the House of Commons has

—BUT ARE YOU SURE?

16.—Don't let your knowledge of Latin trick you. A fumitory is—

A smoking-room, a fumigating chamber, a plant used in medicine, a pashoune, another name for a tobacco pipe.

17.—Here's a spot of spelling for you. They look tough, but they're not, really. Which are spelt incorrectly?

Lanquinet, eupologue, lanigerous, ecstasy, marmoreal, acræce.

18.—Since you know what geography is, you will guess that the science of phytogeography deals with the distribution over the earth's surface of—

Races, fossils, languages, living plants, political ideas, religions.

19.—How many of you know that a blab is—

A game-bird hunted in England, land owned by the Church, a disease common to horses, an edible root.

20.—Halcyon days—days of peace, happiness, and prosperity—derive their name from the halcyon, which is quite a common bird. We know it as the—

Hawk, kestrel, starling, kingfisher, dove, sparrow, canary.

21.—A gentleman is a gentleman in any country, but in Spain they call him a—

Senor, don, hidalgos, vaquero, hacienda, manana.

22.—The astrological sign for the former part of the month of December is—

The Lion, the Scorpion, the Scales, the Archer, the Water-carrier, the Ram.

23.—Finkelstein is the name by which a Soviet leader was known in the old days. In the sphere of modern international politics he is called—

Stalin, Voroshilov, Litvinov, Molotov, Ordzhonikidze, Konev, Kortikov.

24.—The law Lex Talionis can best be summarised by the quotation—

Turning the other cheek; an eye for an eye; a tooth for a tooth; an Englishman's home is his castle; what's yours is mine, what's mine is my own; first up, best dressed.

Extracts from a speech made by the First Lord of the Admiralty.

of the Austro-Hungarian Empire was in battle against us. Then the brave, warlike Turks were about to join our enemies. Then we had to be ready night and day to fight a decisive sea battle with a formidable German Fleet almost in many respects the equal to our own.

We faced those adverse conditions then; we have nothing worse to face now. In those days of 1914 also Italy was neutral, but we did not know the reason for her neutrality. It was only after that we learned that, by a secret clause in the original treaty of the Triple Alliance, Italy had expressly reserved to herself the right to stand aside from any war which brought her into conflict with Great Britain.

Much has happened since then; misunderstanding and disputes have arisen, but all the more do we appreciate in England the reasons why this great and friendly nation of Italy, with whom we have never been at war, has not seen fit to enter the struggle.

I do not underrate what lies before us; but I must say this: I cannot doubt we have the strength to carry a good cause forward, and to break down the barriers which stand between the wage-earning masses of every land and a free and more abundant daily life.

shadow over the whole Continent had vanished and was gone forever.

Everything seems easier than in 1914. There was then, in the beginning at any rate, a faint mutual distrust. The British soldier had a feeling that he was there to defend France, and that everything was his right; the Frenchman was a little surprised to find him there.

Nowadays, the Briton knows that it is his own country that he is defending on our frontiers; the Frenchman is beginning to know this "hereditary friend."

The general of 1939 shows the Military Cross he won at Vimy, at Thiepval; the twenty-years-old soldier is the son of a veteran of 1914, and seeks out the little wood where his father was wounded.

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WE ARE THE KEEPERS OF ALL FREEDOM

at least 16 millions, newly conquered Czechs, Slovaks and Austrians, are waiting under their Nazi yoke and have to be held down by main force.

We have the oceans, and the assurance that we can bring the vast latent power of the British and French Empires to bear upon the decisive points. We bear the freely given, ardent support of the 20 millions of British citizens in the self-governing Dominions of Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. We have the heart and moral convictions of India on our side. We believe we are entitled to the respect and good will of the world, and particularly of the United States.

Here I am in the same post as I was 25 years ago. Rough times lie ahead; but how different is the scene from that of 1914!

Then the French front with the small British Army seemed to be about to break under the terrible impact of German Imperialism. Then Russia had been laid low at Tannenberg. Then the whole might

of all the wars that men have fought in their hard pilgrimage, none was more noble than the great Civil War in America nearly 80 years ago. Both sides fought with the high conviction, and the war was long and hard. All the heroism of the South could not redeem their cause from the stain of slavery, just as all the courage and skill which the Germans always show in war will not free them from the reproach of Nazism with its intolerance and brutality.

We may remember the words of old John Bright about the American Civil War, when he said to an audience of English working-folk:

"At last after the smoke of the battlefield had cleared away, the horrid shape which had cast its

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NORAH GOES HOME— WITH £75 DAMAGES

Typist Wins Lawsuit Against Brothers "She was tricked into car"—Judge

AS the 4.50 northbound express waited at Euston Station recently, Norah Bradley, a typist, homeward bound for Wigan, walked up the platform with her mother.

She had just been awarded £75 damages after a four-day lawsuit against two brothers for whom she once worked.

She sued Norman Webster and his brother Maurice Webster, partners in a Wigan motor-coach business, alleging that the two men—one the father of her former fiancée, Kenneth Webster, twenty-one-year-old aircraftman—had carried her off against her will in a car.

Mr. Justice Tucker, awarded her £75 damages and costs—£50 for false imprisonment in the car, and £25 for assault.

The girl's case was that she and Kenneth Webster became friends, and when the young man joined the R.A.F. they corresponded.

Shared A Flat

Frederick Webster, brother of the two defendants, and another partner in the business, who was separated from his wife, became friendly with her, and shared a flat with her at Blackpool.

Her baby was born in May last, and Frederick Webster entered into an arrangement for the child's maintenance.

Later she went to stay at Mildenhall, where Kenneth was stationed, and said they were expecting to get married when the two brothers called at her apartment, induced her to enter a car and drove her away against her will.

The defendants denied the allegations, and contended that she entered the car voluntarily.

Mr. Justice Tucker said he was satisfied that Norman Webster and his brother Maurice were determined to bring the girl back from Mildenhall whether she wanted to go back to Wigan or not.

"They tricked her into a car," said the judge, "and when she discovered this she resisted and gave vent to one of her outbursts of temper to which witnesses have spoken."

The judge said he was satisfied the girl was taken against her will in the car, and force was used to restrain her.

'I Was Wronged'

The judge added that he was satisfied the defendants were doing what they thought was probably against the law, but they were acting on quite laudable motives.

Norah's mother sat in court during the four days' lawsuit.

Norah said: "I am quite satisfied with the result. I did not bring this action to make money—I am not a gold-digger. I was wronged, and I wanted the wrong righted. Now I'm just going to live for my baby."

Islanders may be conscripted

GUERNSEY STATES—the Island Parliament—is to consider a plan of conscription for men between eighteen and forty-one, according to a Blue-book issued.

A tribunal would be set up to consider claims for exemption.

It is likely that the Royal Guernsey Militia, at present embodied, will be disbanded next month, and a defence force of men over forty-one formed.

GUERNSEY: Second in size of the Channel Islands; nine miles long, five miles at its greatest breadth. Population about 40,000.

Britons And Germans Work Together

DUBLIN. THREE Britons and two Germans have to try to forget their countries are at war while they work almost side by side, with eight Belgian experts, in the Haulbowline Steel Mills, Queenstown.

The local council recently passed a resolution protesting against the employment of foreigners, decided to use Eire's Foreign Office to investigate.

Mr. Seamus Fitzgerald, chairman of the council and a director of the mills, said that no foreigner could get a job in them without close investigation by the Government.

Short-Leave Weddings

SERVICE men can now get married on short leave.

Formerly short leave did not allow sufficient time between the notice of marriage and the ceremony.

But brides-to-be expecting their fiancées home can now enter the notice.

They have to give the man's normal home address.

MOTHER BEFORE COUNTRY

Son Is Excused Army Service

AT fourteen, Dennis Stafford Pitt, of High-street, Maldon, Essex, took a job and became the mainstay of his invalid mother.

Now 21 years old, he is a conscientious objector because he holds that his duty is to stay and look after her.

"There is no power on earth that can force me to go, placed as I am," he told the Eastern Tribunal, at Cambridge.

"Needs Me More"

For seven years, he said, he had kept his mother.

"She needs me more than ever she did," he declared. "How long do you think she would last if I were to go?"

"The doctor says she would have to go into the infirmary at once."

"I cannot, and I will not, have this while she has a home and a son to look after her."

Seven Years Ago

Pitt's mother walked into the room, using a crutch.

She said to the tribunal: "I have no money, and nobody in the world but my son."

Pitt said that seven years ago his father was taken to a mental hospital.

When the authorities tried to get his mother to go to an infirmary and himself to go into a home, he got a job so that he could keep the home going.

The tribunal registered Pitt unconditionally as a conscientious objector.

C.O. NOW WANTS TO FIGHT

A conscientious objector who changed his mind came before the South-Eastern Tribunal.

John Herbert Taberner, aged 21, of St. Catherines-avenue, Luton, said that since sending in his statement he had thought there were still things worth fighting for.

He was now willing to do military service.

In his statement Taberner had said he did not wish "to carry on where his father finished." He had seen him suffer from the loss of a leg.

NURMI SAVES 200 FROM HELSINKI

HELSINKI. AFTER Helsinki had been bombed by the Russians the Finns told this story of one of their heroes—Paavo Nurmi, famous long-distance runner:

"Paavo, when he saw the Russian planes over Helsinki, ran cross-country to the eastern front, borrowed a machine gun from a general, and dashed back to Helsinki by the time the bombers had gone ten yards."

"He set up the machine gun, fired one burst, saw a bomber come down in flames, chased the falling plane ten miles and, waiting for the plane to fall, paused angrily on the Russian pilot's moment it did so."

When I told Paavo, in his little clothing shop in Helsinki, about this, he solemnly denied it.

It was hard to imagine that this little man, leaning on the glass counter, was ten years ago the world's super athlete. He looked prematurely middle-aged, with lines under his eyes.

Car Racer He blinked slowly as he told me in short-clipped sentences that he was out on his estate a few miles from Helsinki when the bombing started.

He raced by car to the city.

After seeing that his shop was safe—and his six girl assistants—had evacuated women, children, babies and old men in his car.

For two days and nights, almost without a break, he made trip after trip through the blinding snow. He took more than 200 to safety.

Before the war, Paavo divided his time between his clothing shop and his real estate business. He opened

Lord Hee-Haw



But there's a good deal more horse sense about this animal than the Oxford-Zeesen broadcaster.

Clergyman let a train run over him

THE Rev. William James Gray, Honorary Canon of Rochester Cathedral, who once held a wounded man in safety while a train passed over them, has been appointed Archdeacon of Tonbridge.

When Canon Gray got out of a train at Canterbury, he was told a man had fallen in front of an oncoming train.

Stripping off his coat, Mr. Gray crawled between the rails, where he found the man with one leg completely severed. He applied an improvised tourniquet with a length of string he had in his pocket.

Throwing himself over the injured man, he pinned him against the platform wall while the train was slowly drawn over them. The wheels were within two inches of Mr. Gray's body.

The man died after several days.

A Cup Of Tea Saves A Life

A cup of tea saved the life of Ernest Riley, who cycled into Gorleston, Norfolk, during the black-out.

At the same time Ernest Rose, a riverside store proprietor, went out to empty the teapot, heard Riley's cries, and pulled him out of the water with a rope.

The man died after several days.

Neutral Zones For Europe's Civilians

PARIS, (UP).—The French government has proposed, through the International Red Cross, the designation of neutral zones to serve as evacuation points for women, children and aged persons in case of aerial warfare. The plan calls for sparing these zones from attack if they have been verified by experts as being not military objectives.

Turned Down By Nazis

Usually reliable informants said the proposal was sent to Germany by the Red Cross, but apparently turned down because "This war will be a total war, in which we are unable to take any engagements in advance."

The proposal was first made a year ago in League of Nations meeting by a delegate for child welfare from the French government. It was renewed at the outbreak of this war. The negotiations were strictly confidential.

It was understood the appeal may be renewed with the backing of Red Cross organizations in several neutral countries.

France has about 200,000 children from Alsace-Lorraine and Paris concentrated in designated refugee areas under government support. An estimated 600,000 additional persons have evacuated such centers and are living with families or relatives in countryside districts.

Mass Evacuation

Plans have been made for massive evacuation of all big towns and frontier regions should large-scale aerial warfare or invasion threaten. The transport problem would be entirely controlled and paid for by the government, under military direction, and refugee areas have been planned on direct railroad connections with the evacuation districts.

The first week of this war saw the first application of the system, and it worked without a hitch or incident. The mobilized troops rushed to the front and the same trains returned loaded with refugees.

Control and support of refugees is under the direction of Camille Chautemps and his new national committee for evacuees. Chautemps was chosen because he was formerly government commissioner for the redeveloped provinces which would be hardest hit by the evacuation.

Changing The Provinces

Chautemps has organized specialists from the ministries of public health, education, agriculture, labour, supplies and transportation, who will work under his direction.

One of the greatest benefits of evacuation may be the rapid breaking down of traditional French provincial aloofness. Another is the increased health of children moved from the large cities to the country. Still another is the urgency with which much social legislation pending for years has been carried through in permanent laws—such as establishment of health centres and extension of school facilities—since the war began.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Weekly Report issued yesterday says:

Transactions during the week do not amount to vast proportions, though those reported to-day are on a better scale. H.K. Banks and Douglas have registered a twenty point rise in each case, the former to \$1,380 and the latter to \$100, business done. These are the exceptions as the balance of the list displays no material change. The advent of Chinese New Year will probably lead to the market becoming quieter for the next week, but there are no signs that year-end liquidation is necessary.

Business Done During the Week

H.K. Bank \$1,400, \$1,380, \$1,365, \$1,350.

Canton Ins. \$220

Douglas \$100

Docks \$215, \$21.15, \$21, \$20.50, \$20.65.

Electric \$20.50, \$21

Food \$440

Hotels \$3,40, \$3,15

Land \$33.50

Tramways \$17.50, \$17.70

Telephones (Old) \$24, \$24.50

Cements \$18.00, \$18.50, \$18.50, \$18.50

Dairy Farms (Old) \$22

Watsons \$9

Closing Quotations 4 p.m.

Buyers

H.K. Bank \$1,380

Canton Ins. \$21.24

Fire Ins. \$100

Douglas \$100

Docks \$21.60

Food \$440

Hotels \$3,15

Land \$35

Tramways \$17.60

Yaumai Ferries \$24.50

China Lights (Old) \$7.70

Electric \$20.50

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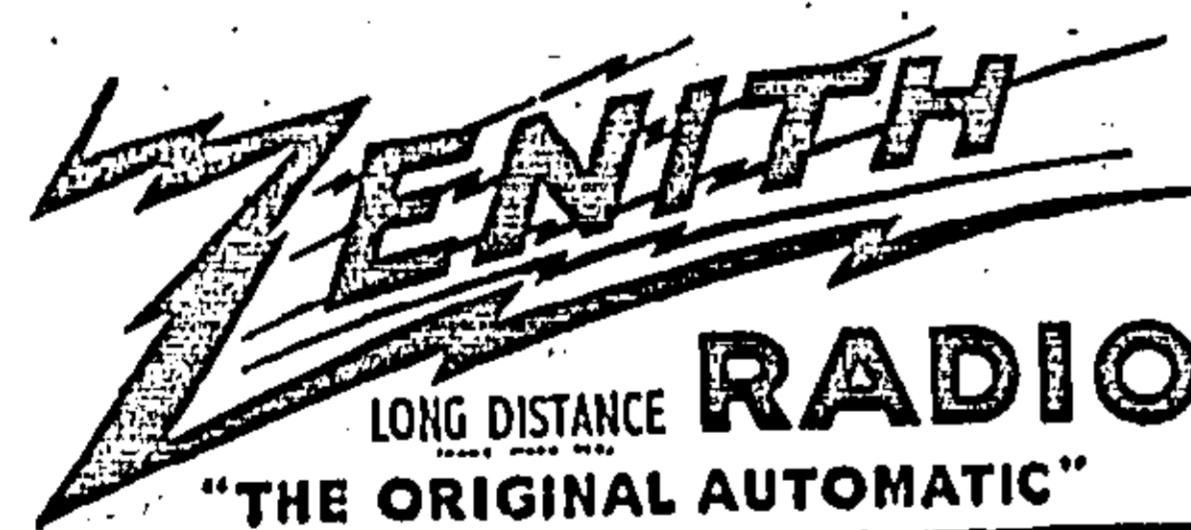
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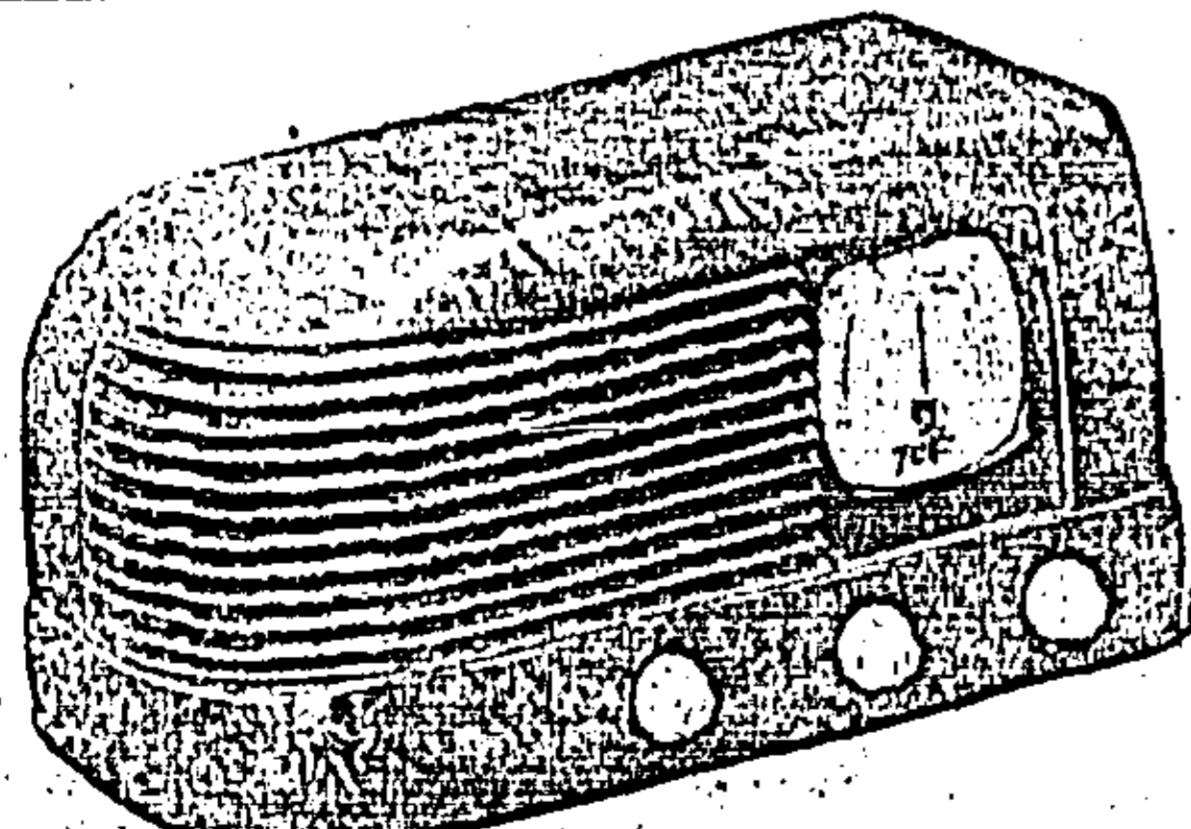
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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

Feb. 3, 1890. The lady fashion writer of a contemporary remarks: "And I speak of the fact that when you do resemble a wrinkled pinhead to Paris. You are never too derelict to be patched up, for you can obtain false eyebrows, false eyelashes (to be stuck on with special gum) eyepencils for shading the lids, and belladonna for increasing the distance of the pupils; orange paint of every kind, paint for the lips, paint for the cheeks, paint for the fingers and finger-nails, false hips, false thighs, false calves, false busts that move by machinery, in imitation of the real article, false ears, hair. When the Paris Exposition, the improvement in the personal appearance of several of our 'leading ladies' who have just returned from the Paris Exposition."

The Emperor of Germany, in his speech to the Prussian Diet, said that the former relations of Germany were everywhere good.

25 YEARS AGO

Feb. 3, 1915. Since the 13th ult. military searches have been proceeding at Tsingtau, which have resulted in the arrest of 144 Germans, who are stated to prove to have participated in the recent hostilities, but, after the surrender of the fortress, were allowed to stay in the city on the plea that they were non-combatants, says the "Asahi."

Some two years ago His Excellency the Governor, spending at a local prize-distribution, deplored the fact that Latin seemed to hold little or no place in the list of subjects taught in Hongkong schools. We now have a Surgeon, General Hoskyns—in his speech at the Queen's School, prize-giving, Saturday—praised, less, congratulating the school authorities on the fact that the teaching of Latin had been abandoned.

10 YEARS AGO

Feb. 3, 1930. A tablet in memory of Gabriel Principe, the student whose assassination in the Austrian Parliament, in 1911, concluded Ferdinand and his wife, was the first step in the development of the Great War, was unveiled to-day on the house in Sarajevo, overlooking the scene of the murder. The tablet is inscribed: "On this historic spot, Principe proclaimed Liberty."

5 YEARS AGO

Feb. 3, 1935. The piracy of the China Navigation Company's steamer Tungchow, with seventy schoolchildren aboard, mostly British, was marked by some amusing incidents, prominent amongst which was the fact that the pirates were still after the pliant and left the vessel. When the pirate chief's pull-over was found on deck, the kiddies eagerly pounced on it, tearing it to pieces in their anxiety to get a hit for themselves. They also scoured the deck for discarded cartridges.

Chamber Music Club

Some fine two piano work by Harry Ore and John Smith was a feature of the eighth concert of the Hongkong Chamber Music Club at Government House last night. Their playing being notable for its fluency, the two pianists combined well in rendering first Busoni's "Duetto Concertante in the Style of Mozart," and later in Mozart's melodious Concerto in E flat for two pianos.

Conducted by John Smith, Bach's famous Brandenburg Concerto No. 2 in F was played by the orchestra led by Prof. N. Tonoff (solo violin), with Sgt. Green (Oboe), L/C. Godfrey (Trumpet), and Bdnn. Frankos (Flute). The joyous movement and robustness of this great work were commendably brought out.

This was preceded by a rendering of Handel's Alcina Suite.

The orchestra comprised:

First Violin—N. Tonoff, L/C. Alsey, A. Carneiro, M. Estakoff, M. Grinovich.

Cello—G. A. Goodban, E. Pellegratti.

Second Violin—Bds. Christie, Bds. Lamb, Mrs. Scrim, C. T. Tang.

Viola—F. Gonzalez, Bds. Marshall.

Flute—Bds. Frankos.

Bass—Sgt. Clarke.

Oboe—Sgt. Green.

Trumpet—L/C. Godfrey.

The next Chamber Concert will be held at the University at the end of this month. The programme, arranged by Prof. N. Tonoff, will be in the main Beethoven.

On March 5, the Hongkong Singers will give a Concert of Part Songs by Brahms, Parry, Vaughan-Williams and others in the Great Hall of the University, assisted by Ettore Pellegratti, (Cello) who will play two groups of solos.

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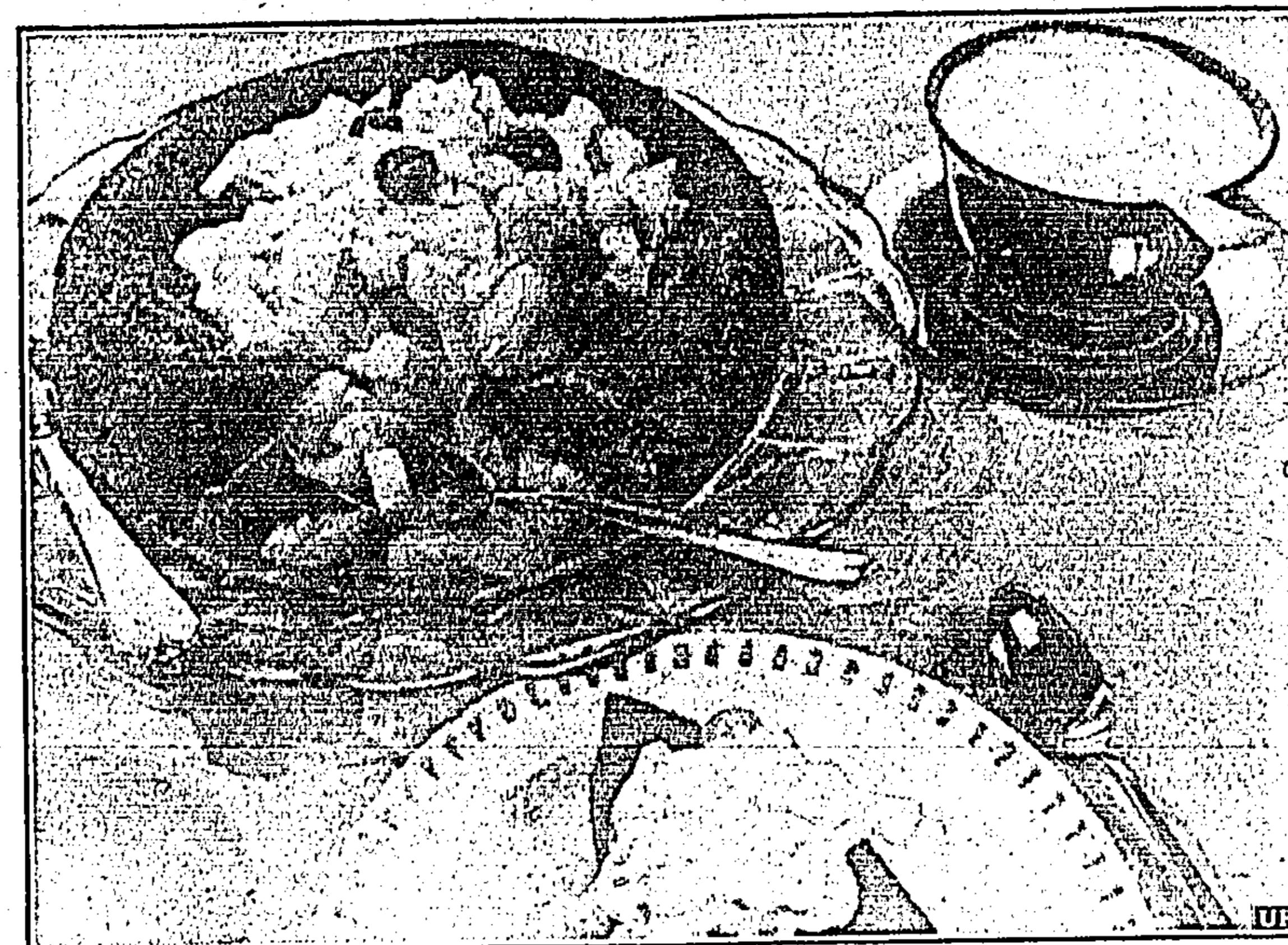
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Gingerbread Ring Filled With Fruit Salad a Treat

BY JUDITH WILSON

SPICES and molasses—two quaint words with a tremendous amount of appeal. To most of us they spell gingerbread. Say them to the average person and he almost imagines he can smell a fragrant gingerbread baking in the oven. But why play upon the imagination of those dessert addicts with a taste for the old-fashioned when it is so simple to produce the real thing for them with the right recipe?

Gingerbread fans will also favour gingerbread waffles, molasses cookies, gingerbread upside-down cake. For up-to-date versions of the spices-and-molasses combination there are gingerbread ring with fruit salad, and spice squares with molasses whipped cream. Here are the recipes for both of these new dishes.

GINGERBREAD RING WITH FRUIT SALAD

2 eggs
1/2 cup brown sugar
1/2 cup pure molasses
1/2 cup melted shortening
2 1/2 cups flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
2 teaspoons ginger
1/2 teaspoons cinnamon
1/2 teaspoons cloves
1/2 teaspoons nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup boiling water
Add eggs, beaten, to the sugar, molasses and melted shortening. Then add the dry ingredients which have been mixed and sifted. Lastly add the hot water. Bake in a ring mold in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) for 30 to 40 minutes. When baked, fill centre of ring with fruit salad or cut fresh fruits. Add a dab of whipped cream to each portion.

Take Your Candlestick To Church

The rector of Ludford, Lines, has devised a means of solving the problem of lighting the parish church, which, owing to its unusual size, has been difficult to black-out.

He has asked his parishioners to bring candlesticks to church with them, for which he has provided a hundred parchment shades painted over with black Japan.

Each choirboy too has his own candlestick, as well as the rector himself.

The verger stands at the door with an ample supply of shaded candles and hands one over to each person entering the church to put in his candlestick. The experiment has apparently proved most successful.

I want to specially commend Pamela Farmer, Alice Lee and John Barton for excellent work.

SPICE SQUARES WITH MOLASSES WHIPPED CREAM

2 1/2 cups sifted cake flour
1/2 teaspoon soda
2 teaspoons double-acting baking powder
1/2 teaspoon allspice
1/2 teaspoon mace
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon cloves
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1/2 cup butter or other shortening
1 cup brown sugar, firmly packed
1 cup sour milk or buttermilk

Measure flour after sifting once. Add soda, baking powder and spices and sift together three times. Cream butter thoroughly, add sugar gradually, cream together until light. Add eggs and mix well. Add flour mixture, alternating with sour milk, a small amount at a time. Beat until smooth after each addition. Use greased pan 8x8x2. Bake in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) for 50 minutes. Serve in squares with molasses whipped cream. To make molasses whipped cream, whip 1/2 cup cream and fold in 2 tablespoons molasses.

STONE JAR MOLASSES COOKIES

2 1/2 cups sifted flour
2 teaspoons double-acting baking powder

Gingerbread, made with spices and molasses, is baked in a ring mould and served in this delightfully new way with fruit salad or fresh cut fruit and whipped cream. The recipe is given in Miss Wilson's column to-day along with recipes for gingerbread waffles and other spice-and-molasses dessert combinations.

1 teaspoon ginger
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup molasses
1/2 cup butter or other shortening
1/2 teaspoon soda

To sifted flour, add baking powder, ginger and salt and sift again. Heat molasses and remove from fire. Add shortening and soda to molasses. Then add flour gradually, mixing well. Chill. Roll out very thin on slightly floured board. Use floured cookie cutter. Bake on greased baking sheet in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 10 minutes. Remove from pan carefully. When cool store in stone jar. Makes about 3 1/2 dozen cookies.

GINGERBREAD WAFFLES

2 cups sifted cake flour
1/2 teaspoon soda
2 teaspoons double-acting baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup sugar
2 teaspoons ginger
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 egg, slightly beaten
1/2 cup dark molasses
1/2 cup light sour cream
1/2 cup milk

To sifted flour add soda, baking powder, salt, sugar and spices and sift all dry ingredients together. Combine remaining ingredients separately and add to flour mixture, beating only until smooth. Bake in hot waffle iron and serve with whipped cream. This recipe makes 6 four-section waffles.

Girls' and Boys' Corner

Dear Kiddies,

Last week's competition was not very well done. Many of you did not guess the correct answer for question No. 2. It was "Conkers."

The prize-winners this week are:—

Nuno da Silva (aged 11 1/2), 3, Tak Shing Street, Kowloon.
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Coupons have been sent to Nuno and Paddy which I want them to bring to the "Hongkong Telegraph" offices in Wyndham Street. The coupons will then be exchanged for money prizes.

I want to specially commend Pamela Farmer, Alice Lee and John Barton for excellent work.

Robert Young. A duplicate coupon has been sent to you.

This week, kiddies, I want you to write a short story, not more than 200 words, on "How I hope to spend the Chinese New Year holidays." You can write it either in ink or pencil. Give your name, age and address and send your entries to Uncle Eddie, c/o "Hongkong Telegraph," Wyndham Street. The competition closes at 2 p.m. on Wednesday.

Best wishes for the coming holidays.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Tangos by Heinz Kupperitz and His Orchestra—Fireflowers, (Edmund Kotcher), Lament, Land of Magic, Golden Stars, Eternal Sun.

12.47 The Organ. The Dance Band and Me in Dance Music—Cry, Baby Cry, Sweet As A Song, There's A New Apple Tree, The Umbrella Man.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Stuart Robertson (Baritone) and the Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Latest Variety.

2.15 Close down.

6.0 Compositions of Debussy—The Children's Corner—Suite, Waller Giesecking (Piano); Nuit D'Etoiles, Helene Ludolph (Soprano) with Piano accomp. by Gerald Moore and Organ accomp. by Herbert Dawson; Minstrels, Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) with Piano accomp. by Arthur Ballam; Stravinsky, Boston Symphony Orchestra cond. by Serge Koussevitsky; Poissons D'Or (from "Images"), Ravello Vines (Piano).

6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Brahms—Concerto in D Major, Op. 77—Fritz Kreisler (Violin) and The London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by John Barbirolli.

7.12 Brahms—Zigeunerlieder, Op. 103—The Madrigal Singers conducted by Lehman Engel with D. Everett Roudeshus at the Piano.

7.30 London Relay—The News, 8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Latest Variety and Dance Music—Till The Lights of London Shine Again, I'll Pray for You, Jack Jackson and His Band; Comes Love, My Heart Keeps Cryin', Dorothy Lumour with Orchestra; My Heart Belongs To Daddy, Most Gentlemen Don't Like Love, Jack Hylton and His Orchestra; "Big" and "Stinkers" Parlour Games, Arthur Askey and Richard Murdoch; Good Old Songs Medley, Reginald Foot; Blue Orchids, It's A Hundred To One, Dick Todd with Orchestra; I'll Remember, Lords of the Air, Jack Hylton and His Orchestra; Gaily Memories, London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Clifford Greenwood; Willow, Tit Willow, Crash! Bang! I Want To Go Home, Arthur Askey with Jack Hylton and Some of His Boys; Good Bye, Sally, A Mother's Prayer At Twilight, Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 Local sport results.

9.32 More Latest Variety and Dance Music—Max Miller In The Theatre, Max Miller with Orchestra; Ridin' Home, If A Grey-Haired Lady, Jack Hylton and His Orchestra; Down At The Hole In The Wall, Oh, Ain't It Grand To Be In The Navy, Arthur Askey with Jack Hylton and Some of His Boys; Have You Met Miss Jones, Get Out Of Town, Jack Hylton and His Orchestra; Wartime March Medley, The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Capt. J. Causley Windram; When The Sergeant Major's On Parade, When The Guards Go Marching By, Peter Dawson (Vocal) with Orchestra; An Apple For The Ten-

2.30 Close Down.

7.00 Compositions of Delius.

Koanga Suite, London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Sir Thomas Beecham; Sonata No. 2, Serenade, "Hassan," Lionel Terles (Violin) and George Reeves (Piano); Summer Night On The River, Sir Thomas Beecham and The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra.

7.30 London Relay—The News, 8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Piano Recital by Caroline Braga—L'Innocente, Liebestraum, Waltzes Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 10 and 15, Op. 39 (Brahms), Valse in A flat major, Op. 42, No. 5 (Chopin).

8.30 Orchestra Selections—Overture, Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra; "The Barber of Bagdad" Overture, Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Leo Blech.

8.45 Studio—Talk on "General Smuts" by A. H. Fenwick.

8.45 Studio—Sylvia Ballet, London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Etem Kurtz.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 B.B.C. Recording—The Royal National Eisteddfod of Wales—A programme by some of the successful competitors of 1930.

10.10 Two Organ Solos by G. D. Cunningham—Fanfare, Grand Chorus in D Major.

10.15 Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue—Conducted by The Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow.

10.35 Close Down.

New Bodyguard For Q. Mary

AFTER 15 years with Queen Mary's suite (and 20 in all with the Metropolitan Police) Superintendent Green retired at the end of the year.

This has meant a break in the circle of officers noted for their royal associations. Supt. Green, in point of service, was the doyen, though the office held by Inspector Cameron, the King's Police Officer, is regarded as the premier appointment.

Reshuffle Of Posts

The accession of King George VI caused a general reshuffle of royal bodyguards.

The other officers concerned all come from "A" (Cannon-rod) Division Metropolitan Police, from the uniformed branch as distinct from the Special Branch, and are Inspector Cameron, the King; Inspector Giles, Queen Elizabeth; Inspector James, the Duke of Gloucester; and Inspector Evans, the Duke of Kent.

A royal "bodyguard" has to possess special qualifications, one of which is to be as inconspicuous as possible in his movements at public functions, yet always to be on hand.

Extra Duties Now

The duties of the police officer attached to royalty have increased in importance and variety recently.

They are now responsible for having royal car routes properly policed so that the cars may have an uninterrupted run. They are liaison officers between the Palace and the general police and enjoy the confidence of the King and Queen with regard to private engagements.

Most of the anonymous letters arriving at royal residences are handed to the police officer attached and he reacts on them.

When the King or Queen go abroad the personal police officer always goes too, though the additional duties are generally dealt with by the Special Branch.

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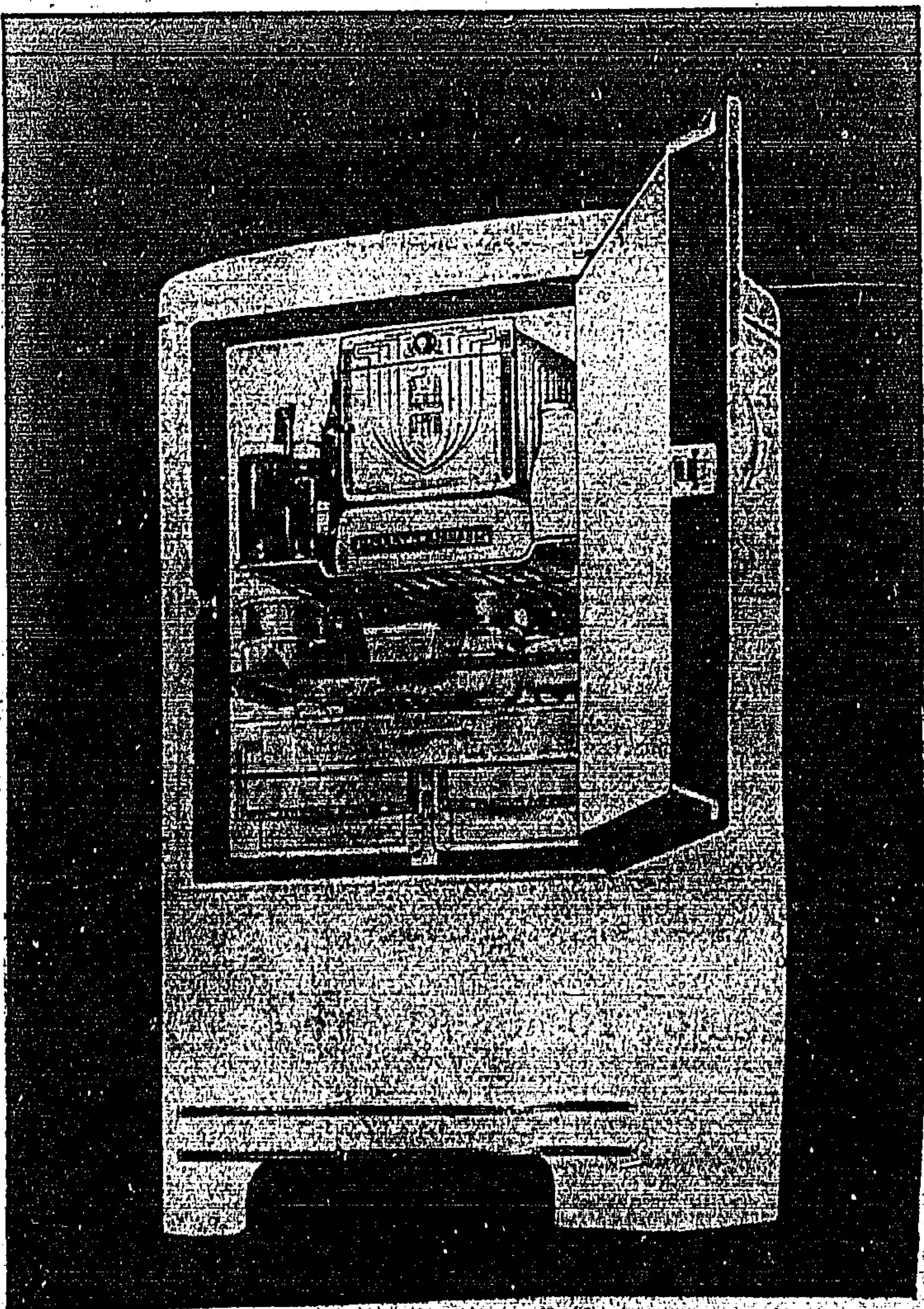
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LATE NEWS

KOWLOON
VILLAGE
RAZEDBig Conflagration
This Morning

ONE OF THE BIGGEST conflagrations in Hongkong for some years occurred at the large "village" of Shekklum, off the Tai Po Road, Shamshui Po, in the early hours of this morning.

Five hundred buildings, mostly huts and many two story brick structures, were razed to the ground during the blaze, which was under control only after a 3½ hour fight by Fire Brigade units.

It is estimated that 2,000 people have been rendered homeless. Miraculously, no lives were lost, but a large quantity of pigs and poultry were destroyed.

Pathetic scenes were witnessed along Tai Po Road this morning where the homeless have made temporary homes under every available verandah or stiltway.

The village concerned is one which was mentioned during a recent application by the Land Office for an election order against squatters who had built unauthorised buildings on Crown Land. Decision regarding the squatters is stated to be still pending. It was stated during the Court case, that thousands of lives were imperilled by these unauthorised townships which have sprung up in the Colony as a result of neighbouring hostilities.

Approximately a quarter of Shekklum, which covers an area of about one square mile, has been destroyed as a result of this morning's blaze.

An eye-witness told the "Telegraph": "The fire started in one of the huts at about 1 p.m., and spread rapidly.

"At one time the flames were leaping over fifty feet into the air, providing an awe-inspiring sight."

The ruins were still smouldering at 11 o'clock this morning, and the Fire Brigade is still on the scene.

Russians Fire On
Estonian Plane

TALLINN, Feb. 2 (UPI).—Russian warships opened fire on an Estonian military plane over Tallinn to-day, under the impression that it was a Finnish raider.

Three unexploded A.A. shells fell into the city, wounding a woman and causing minor damage. The plane landed untouched.

Turku was raided by Red bombers three this morning, the first raid starting at midnight. There was apparently no loss of life.

Sweden's Big
Plane Order

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2 (UPI).—Sweden has virtually completed arrangements for ordering 144 Vultee pursuit planes from the U.S. These are considered to be among the finest fighter planes in the world. They are capable of speeds in excess of 400 m.p.h.

The Swedish order will total £2,500,000.

MAJOR BENNOY
IMPROVING

Major Benoy, Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General and Press Liaison Officer of the War Department, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is reported to have greatly improved during the past few days.

YUNNAN
RAILWAY
HOLOCAUST10 Foreigners Among
Over 100 Killed

KUNMING, Feb. 2 (Reuters).—More than 100 persons, including about ten foreigners, are learned to be killed and injured when Japanese aircraft yesterday bombed a bridge situated about 80 kilometres from the French Indo-China border on the French railway connecting Halphong with Kunming.

Twenty-seven Japanese planes participated in the raid, which resulted in the destruction of a northbound train.

Several Frenchmen, either passengers or employees of the railway, are believed to be among the casualties.

The majority of those who perished were killed either by bombs or by boiling water from the destroyed engines.

British Sailors Escape

Officers and men of the British gunboats, Gannet and Falcon, who left their ships at Chungking sometime ago on being recalled home for service had a narrow escape. Their train, bound from Kunming to the French Indo-China border, was not very far from the bridge when the Japanese started bombing.

After the raid, the officers and sailors worked untiringly for hours in succouring the wounded and dying.

The presence of the naval doctors of the two gunboats proved especially helpful.

The traffic line has been brought to a complete standstill as the wreck of the train is blocking the tunnel.

Japanese Version

The Japanese Naval communiqué on the Yunnan air raid states:

"Japanese naval aircraft led by Lt.-Commander Mihara on Thursday bombed the Yunnan-Indo-China Railway, the vital supply route to the Chinese."

Chinese anti-aircraft batteries newly installed at key mountainous and hill-side subjected Japanese planes to intense fire.

Disregarding the Chinese ground fire, Japanese raiders scored direct hits on trucks and bridges. Several Chinese pursuit planes were repulsed.

All Japanese planes safely returned.

The Northumberland and Durham Association held its first annual dinner at the Peninsula Hotel last night, when over 200 members and guests were present. Entertainment was provided by Doris Blair, Kathleen Cooper, the Harmony Three, Gaston d'Aquino, Len Jordan, David Kosick, F. Marvin, H. Peasegood, Hector Wiggins, and Art Carneiro and his band.

Rev. Bishop R. O. Hall presided and proposed the Loyal Toast.

Prof. W. Faid, Chairman of the Committee, said the occasion was the Association's first official gathering of the year and was an attempt to give facilities for mixing and meeting people.

Prof. Faid said he was glad that some members of the Royal Navy had attended in response to a newspaper notification. He hoped they would tell their shipmates that whenever they were in Hongkong they would always be welcome at any function organised by the Association.

Referring to future activities Prof.

Faid said it was the wish of the majority of the members of the Committee to hold a dinner dance in about a month. There was a possibility of future activities in connection with sports. Last year a bowls match was arranged and even though it was not carried out until only quite recently it proved a great success. He hoped this would be repeated not only in the form of bowls but in other sporting activities as well.

After expressing the hope that lady members of the Association would cooperate in forming a ladies' section, Prof. Faid concluded by saying that those back in the Countries at Home were not having an easy time, but in spite of that shipbuilders would still go out to fish for such was the spirit of Northumberland and Durham. (Applause).

THUGS IN
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RETIRED ARMY
OFFICERS' PAY

In this morning's issue of the "Government Gazette", a notification states that the Army Council has made a decision regarding the emoluments of retired Army officers taken into employment with Dominion and Colonial forces during the present emergency.

They have decided that officers retired from the Imperial forces will cease to receive service retired pay but will be eligible to receive an addition to colonial pay of 25 per cent. based on British Army rates of pay. Officers who have commuted any portion of their retired pay will suffer the deduction from their pay of an amount equivalent to the amount of retired pay that was commuted.

Retired officers who have been receiving disability retired pay will continue to do so but will be eligible only for so much of the 25 per cent. as exceeds the service element of their pay.

Non-regular officers who have been receiving disability retired pay will continue to do so but will not be eligible for any addition to the pay.

The 25 per cent. addition to pay will be met from Imperial funds and the onus of claiming this addition depends on the individual officer.

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A method has been discovered of producing typhus vaccine in sufficient quantities to protect the entire world from the disease, which is a major menace in wartime.

It was pointed out that the problem with typhus vaccine had always been to obtain enough of the germ which cause the disease.

The method now perfected combined two ways of growing germs discovered in the United States in the past two years. Dr. Hans Zinsser, Dr. Plotz, Dr. Enders themselves discovered one of them recently.

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